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Lighthearted Pleasures

Although this isn't really the time of year for masses of games releases there are still quite a few new titles around for you to choose from.

My Runner for the C64 from Cascade Software (1989 cassette, £12.99 disk) is a fantastic game which deals with drug wars. The drug is Sky which makes the population completely docile. Your job is to terminate the drug harvesting operation and thus free the people from their soul destroying existence.

According to the authors the game was inspired by such movies as *Scar* and *Baron of the Sub* and is the simulation of several month's work. It was launched in the new year.

On a completely different historical level, *The Three Musketeers*, a new game from Swedish Software House Computer Nordic. The new game is available for the C64, C128 (with enhanced graphics) and the Amiga. Tape version is priced at £9.95, the 3-1/2" version on disk at £14.95 and there is even a 12-bit disk version at £24.95. The well known *Three Musketeers* story is the theme and the setting is 17th century France in turmoil. The game is built up around depicted patterns and contains six original comic scenes.

If you think that that all sounds a



lot more than maybe you'd rather have a go at *Blood 'n Guts* for the C64 (£9.95 tape and £14.95 disk). This is an intense hardcore decision game which demands such imagination events as 'we drinking, human being and you can drinking. Probably not recommended for the faint hearted.

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Sport Simulations

New from US Gold is a 10 pin bowling simulation entitled *10th Frame*. The game is by the author of *Leadfoot* and aims to recreate the fun on 10 pin bowling for all the family.

10th Frame play and you can take the option of playing on teams of up to four people, or spinners play will allow up to eight individual players.

Features include scoreboard, position, automatic scoring, power and hook control, pinstriking sound and pin action several different skill levels.

It is available for the C64 and will be released shortly on the Amiga.

On a totally different level



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Kosmos is releasing **MEC Le Mow 3d**, a fast rating car simulation. Look out for more details.

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Pet Revival

Owners of PET computers have responded enthusiastically to the news that Supersoft is specialising a range of the more popular Commodore machines.



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Supersoft bought up Commodore's last remaining stocks of the PET range in 1986. Since then requests for re-writing work have been flooding in.

However most of the stocks purchased were the older 4000 and 8000 computers and many users who engaged with Supersoft to expand their systems, with the 1200 computers, the last produced in the PET range.

Supersoft has now managed to locate more of these rare 1200 computers as a Commodore warehouse in Europe. These have now been imported and are available from Supersoft at a price of £295 plus VAT.

Hewson Future

Hot on the heels of the new year Hewson is releasing a new title called **Bananas**. It's due out at the end of March and is a multi-level game

combining strategy and basic shoot-em-up in order to appeal to all gamers. **Free**

The game is set in a labyrinth of rooms viewed from above. Intriguing and suspense is added since the rooms only become visible upon being entered.

You control Mervyn a scientist's apprentice who has created the evil warlocks by turning himself into a frog whilst trying to control a body-building potion. You must combat 12 guarded warriors on each of eight levels to obtain master power and death.

Bananas was written by Steve Turner a regular Hewson programmer who has written several very popular games including *Dragonfire*, *Master Quest* (free and more recently, *Questfire*).

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Welsh Winners

Kosmos, the company which produced the *Speed Away* game, has been awarded the New Enterprise Award in the Welsh National Business Awards 1986.

The award was presented to the managing director of Kosmos, Wm Hobbins (left of picture), by Sir John Morris-Jones the chairman of NEI and was won just over 15 months after the company had formed.

Kosmos, the newly company to reach three levels, the Design Technology Award, the New Enterprise Award and the Business Achievement of the year. Competing companies included Laura Ashby and Benita Aerospace.

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Sport on Channel 64

Sport games have been an immensely popular area of infatuation ever since the first crude pong pong. Here's a round up of the best simulations

By Tony Hetherington

If you're fed up with watching Liverpool playing every Saturday, then a winning weather match or two would be a welcome change. Lucky C64 and C65 owners who are not sure why Channel 64, we've got over 40 sporting challenges ranging from world football to America's cup racing.

Multiple Events

Amstrad released *Olympics* in 1989 which was quickly followed by Ocean's *Delta's Olympian's Olympics*. The race to the Olympics was on. Both featured the 10 grueling events that take in the Olympics. *Olympics* was the more accurate simulation in each computer frustratingly wobbled his joystick in all 10 events where in *Delta's* game, demanding was an event before your mind computer in the first.

Now, joystick athletes can tackle the sports and hurdles of *Amstrad's Games* (seven events), *high jump*, *weightlifting* and *running* in *Amstrad's Games II* (another seven events). The superb looked, the jumps, the dog and the jumping and the hurdle of *Amstrad's Games* (ten medals events) the round the world tour of legging, sailing, barrel jumping, weight lifting and some wrestling of *World Games* (eight events) and the budget priced sporting, archery and diving on *Go for Gold* (seven events). All of these are from US Gold.

Football

Football has had a field day, but your version of the World Cup in Mexico and so forth in the football game. The first was the literally basic conversion of the Spectrum hit *Football Manager* to Amstrad. Games that has been recently released. Unfortunately, C64 owners expected more of a game than their rubber footed console, and it failed to score.

The best C64 football game is still Commodore's own *Amstrad's Soccer*. Its simple gameplay let's you control the system against either human or disk computer oppo-

sition. The system is simple as you control the man that is against to the ball with the computer controlling all the other on the ball moving.

World Cup Games of course the greatest sponsor from the crowd when it was released as it was designed by the World Cup team. Promising a budget priced and a game that took six months to develop. Here over an release the game looked too amateur and unrealistic to be a digital's top quality version of Amstrad's *World Cup LP*. This caused US Gold's yellow card and boosted sales of Amstrad's *World Cup LP* also earned Amstrad's \$475.

After the *World Cup* the papers were dominated by the up, when Diego Maradona punched the ball past Peter Shilton to knock England out of the cup. Now that moment has been immortalized in *Granbladder's (Amstrad's) Peter Shilton's Headball Maradona* game. However, the game itself is dull and unexciting although it does contain the classic phrase "a game of two halves" in its instructions.

Granbladder's new *Footballer of the Year* shows more promise as you bank, your way through poverty, low discounts and defenses in your struggle to become the best footballer of the year. The game plays a computerized board game with goal attempts coming from bought goal cards and transfers, push-ups and bonuses, profits from chaotic "incubator" cards. Despite a few annoying bugs, such as longer goals being created twice in your half, the game is thoroughly addictive.

American Football

Football fans also enjoy the game American style can recreate the 1986 Super Bowl when the Bears destroyed the patriots in *Delta's Super Bowl* as well as play indoor football games in *Big Boy's budget American Football*. Amstrad's *Touchdown Football* and *The Amstrad Super Bowl Series*. You can also recreate the entire season in the gridiron's season of *Amstrad's Football Manager*. All are well.



TABLE 1. COMMONLY USED TERMS IN

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USA Today

There are a lot of strange peripherals available for C64s in the States. Here's a cross section just to whet your appetite.

By Lewis Tilley

Do you have that bird, run down feeling? Does the big guy look and into your face at the birds? Do you want to compete better? Plug a *Bird/tek* into your Commodore's cartridge slot and hook into the latest in sports training. This peripheral consists of the program plus a "standard" BMC device and load on hand held and three chronos which you place against the part of the body you wish to monitor. The result reads out on your screen with the aid of the two software cartridges included.

Computerized Muscle Analyzer and Trainer on COMAT is an electronic muscle builder which comes as an extra. A aerobic, exercise and voice reduction package are also available. Prices run from \$149.95 for the basic package up to \$279.95 for the video reduction gear. Mail orders to Bio/tek Inc., One Touchline (or address).

There is an related sentence in the firm's advertisement which will be reading more often as the use of computers expand into the mass markets. "Knowledge of computers or computer programming is NOT necessary to use *Bird/tek*." That for you folks!

To continue your physical education course, don't forget the latest in footwear. Penn's *B2 Computer Shoe* has a computer chip built into its heel. After each training run you connect up to your 64 for a readout of the run record. The time, distance and calories consumed will be fed in for a comparison with your previous data and future dreams. Only \$199.95 for a pair.

Now let's see. We have the chronos on your head, a computer chip on your foot, if you'll just stick your hand into this lightweight collar glow in the darkness will do everything a joy stick will do for you and more. It's

called *Mind Command* and comes from ShareData and costs \$49.

Gone Fishing

Maybe you're in a "jerk", which is an Americanism for "fisher", named from their supporters. Maybe you like to fish. Give just the thing for you. The *Computerized Fisherman's Fish Analyzer* fits on to your pole to use its chip to monitor how long and how hard you worked to catch that fish. Available from the US manufacturer, Hunscher-Schleimer for \$75.

But seriously Folks

Heavy Heavy, Heavy is this very different printer unit. One, *Device One* from Progressive Peripherals and software at a price of \$199.95. The price is high but the features are rich. The features of this new attachment is compact, 52K bytes, a 68000-68000 processor and 1M word power source. 1M of that memory is used as a print buffer but is double in bytes when it stores right different fonts in that buffer as well. A utility disk comes with these limit plus 32 variations of the standard 8 x 11 font and an editor so that you can design your own. The graphics interface which links a Commodore printer to the small box of the Commodore deserves a thorough review of its abilities.

Device One is a challenger to *Super Graphics* by KETEC which has offered us high technology to Commodore users for some time now. You might check it out from KETEC Inc. at \$99.95. Their *Dev*, includes 37 fonts to be used with the interface.

If your major technical problem is impedance, you can get three versions of *Serial Dev* which shares in a 64K buffer while printing to a Commodore Compatible printer. The *Serial Dev-P* is serial to parallel with 64K

buffer and the *Dev-Off* into a parallel printer and gives it increase 240K buffer. All of these include a font design and writer program called *Font Factory*. They are GACS compatible. R.J. Bachman Associates Inc. sell these at \$79.95, \$149.95 and \$279.99 respectively.

Link Link, down in Puerto Rico, have devised an ingenious way to scan a photo or drawing without the use of a TV camera. How which a scanning head to your printer or any typewriter and connect to the video port. The *Scannometer* scans takes over to produce an image with an intensity which can be manipulated. The resolution is no better than might be expected, but it can be adjusted on most levels exposure and contrast. Price for the complete kit is \$24.95 from Link Link.

The best is yet to come. *Barbott Software* which revolutionized the new 64C is working on an Apple *LowWriter* driver for G608. The *LowWriter* is a 68000 printer which responds to a font language from Apple called *Postscript*. It prints in expert quality into. Here in the States, some shops are offering the services of post-presses on their 64C off copy from your disk.

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In this new regular feature we bring you the best of strategy and adventure games together with some useful hints on how to improve your play.

The Pans

Originally written for the Atari ST, *The Pans* had two versions both for its graphics and for its complex parser.

Based on the spectacular art of British Telecom's software artists and as with *The Search of Darkness*, this program is no cheapie at £19.95. But considering that you get two disks, plenty of supporting written matter and an ST word processor it is not bad value.

In order to play the game come in two small booklets, one Commodore specific and the other a general gameplan guide. There is also a very well produced 95 page book containing the background story and several pages of encrypted hints for the difficult bits.

The first option that is highly recommended is to make copies of both Pans disks, forwarded to see these copies and retain the originals safely stored away. There is even a copy program included so that you need no additional means to achieve this.

The story is a strange mixture of science and modern, with old favourites such as dragons, a missing princess and all powerful magicians and an on-on-on with no clues. What this kind of Kermit can also has, but more obliging references to a great modernists society that looks to replace the classic framework with a natural identity, which is both amusing and odd.

The final form of the game is not spell-out, but with an appropriate being a general idea, but in the ending, with events, trading in the stock market and groups of barbaric dwarves in the jungle and to mention Kermit the Muppet - and being in great fun.

In common with those superbookish games from before, this program makes a great deal of use of the disk drive. This regular drive access is more involved commands such as it can move files into or back some form of conclusion especially when large pictures are to be created.

The graphics are excellent but the full picture only allows three lines of text beneath it - no even more, not as fast as you are to assemble a number of lines of text, three at a time.

The instructions acknowledge the problems and recommend using another graphics mode, with only occasional peaks at the large picture! One thing is certain: *The Pans* offers a great variety of viewing and editing controls that should satisfy the most demanding player.

It is possible to get into quite a muddle with all the picture controls, whereby you are looking at a picture that is not that of your present location. GRAPHICS NORMAL



pan and abilities that I might have lost a few details of, perhaps more clearly, again.

The Pans does have a number of shortcomings. A most useful one, being the facility for calling back your last command for re-editing. Communicating with the game in GOLF mode, as the parser recognizes many different ways of saying the same thing. Leaving the Game's last run, to be accomplished by any of the following: LEAVE/HUT GOLF PART B GOLF GOLF GOLF PART PART/HUT or EXIT EAST.

There are very simple commands but a complete grasp in the instructions shows that the parser will also accept such a sentence as: GOLF ALL EXCEPT THE CAND BUT NOT THE VIOLIN CASE THEN KILL THE MAN EATING SHRED WITH THE CONTENTS OF THE VIOLIN CASE! The parser will also understand when an object already specified is to be used again: GOLF SHIRT THEN TIE IT TO RAKE.

Although this all sounds wonderful and indeed makes life that much easier in most cases, do not assume that the command interpreter is all powerful. You must still retain the true advantage of reading and double-check your surroundings.

An example of this may be found when you find a man in Kermit. You are wearing pants and a T-shirt and have a moustache when heard scold around a tree with Obnoxious. You immediately run an inventory check, this tells you wearing more. You know the program is intended for its

pieces so you FEEL IN POCKETS - from the screen is "The pocket is full." However, it takes three more commands to ascertain what is in there.

If you get stuck, there are a number of hints given to help you. These are in the form of a string of two alphabetic blocks. AN 11 58 DO GO 58. Tap on HINT and you will then be asked to type in the code. There are usually three correct codes for each potential question, the first often gives a 10-point reward, the third is usually quite small.

There will be several times where you have to talk to characters you meet along the way. The parser again offers you a choice of how to go about this. There is a special command UNITS that will list all possible descriptions of movement from your present location. AGAIN repeat the previous command and SCORE gives you your current score and the maximum possible score.

With all these facilities to be shown off, what is the adventure itself like? There are lots of laughs, plenty of mystery, lots of traps and a reasonable difficulty level. Draw maps carefully as movement from one location to another is not always quite as you would expect it to be. SAVE your game position regularly (you'll need a previously formatted blank disk).

Altogether an interesting experience with a true adventure dressed up in the most modern mixture of programming technique and all latest hardware. We will have to wait and see if these higher priced super-products can stand the competition from cheaper and less elegant, yet game-worn adventures. For Magazine Services, *The Crown's* programmers. I hope so - I'm looking forward to seeing their next offering. **P F**

Quester

Those of you who enjoy the Ultima series of adventures will find that U.S. Gold have come up with another winner in the same mould. *Quester* is a fantasy adventure game written by Strategic Simulations Inc. in the USA. It is a disk only but there's two sides - as there is plenty of program there to be explored.

The land of *Quester* has had a distinctly troubled past. Everything fell apart in the last one some hundreds of years ago when one of the King's two chief wizards finally took the left hand path and became completely evil.

From that moment on, a greater and greater number of evil monsters invaded the countryside. The population began to seek shelter in underground tunnels as there were the only places that could be used as defending. More were the tunnels that went out in the hope of defeating the evil Master. But some returned.

The countryside and towns are shown in plan view and designed in 3D. The symbols representing people, monsters and weapons also look fantastic.

This plan view takes up about two-thirds of the display with a number of access options to its left together with a brief status of the character's vital statistics. Reports of what is happening and what input commands appear on the four lines at the bottom of the screen.

Control may be exerted from the keyboard as a mixture of joystick and keyboard. All keyboard action commands are single key gestures - no status is open, and simple to master. While moving around you have such commands as: Attack, Defend, Equip, Destroy, Fight, Hold Item, Use

and Open, Spell, Move, Run, Attack, Talk and Listen.

As you move your character, the screen scrolls past displaying further areas of the country. There are a number of towns to visit and in each you will find shops that sell different kinds of transport ranging from horses and humans to riffs, clippers and eagles.

The towns also have two other places of great importance, Jack and Casino. Write the number and he will let you talk to one of the persons.

The Casino offers three types of gambling 'double or nothing', blackjack, and roulette. A cool head and careful strategy can make you a rich man in only quickly. Gold is an important part of the game and the two main sources are by killing monsters and by gambling.

Food has to be bought at regular intervals and as you progress you may also find a use for magical weapons and equipment. Be wary, as the Casino's winning room is not too easy. Win over 2000 gold pieces, the gambling is closed and the town guards will attack you. They are fairly tough and it can take a bit to build up your first points, you may want to sit back and.

There are several Characters to meet. These contain renegade magicians from the past and they are able to help you in several ways.

You start out with 15 pieces of your five main attributes: strength, stamina, dexterity, intelligence and charisma. These attributes may be modified as plan progresses and you become used to the ways of *Quester*.

There is one other man who lets you to find on the mainland and that is the King's Clerk. Here you will find the secret Master, almost equal in power to the evil Master. Talk to him and he may well help you on your way.

Eventually you will want to talk to other main characters as they are behind locked doors, this is the main task. First you will have to steal the right keys and this will bring any country guards before you the left. You will have to have found a means of replacing your stolen loss of his points.

Once you have reached a high enough position in the land, you will be required to work out the Master's Master in his land of evil across the sea. Now you will have to find a way through these areas of dark, dark fog that have to be avoided your exploration.

Then all lead me to the sea, but even today get a few leading goals. Here you can buy various magical items and



several weapons that may be useful against the more advanced or monstrous foes above and below ground. The Dungeons are rife with traps and all manner of nasty things; fortunately, there are a fair number of treasure chests, and magical artifacts. You may even be lucky and find a monster

For all those physical types that delight in running off into the great blue world, polish your boots and get that sword. Quantum needs a hero. Just remember, grab a crash gold as you also never talk to the guards and leave nothing the King's mind until you are sure of yourself. **F**

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You receive a letter from one of your old friends, Tamara. Last is which she can't wait to tell you her news. She has become engaged to an English Lord on her way and is going to live in Trevillian, Chisle and in Cornwall - a lovely old place and romantically inspired.

How things change! Eight days later a second letter arrives and the news of happiness has been replaced by one of sheer terror. Thomas is convinced that someone is trying to kill her. There have been two attempts on her life so far. Alice, one of the guests at the castle has requested to see the Wreck Laid, especially after the unfortunate drowning of one of Lord Jack. Therefore, a former girlfriend. As you have a reputation as something of an amateur sleuth after being made to come out and see if you can slay them, she

So the story is set for *Alibi* and the latest detective story from those masters of the adventure genre, 2. Infratoni (distributed in the UK by Actionman). This game is set in the most serious and ideal for those of you who don't quite fancy yourself as a Sherlock Holmes just yet. At the beginning, you are prompted for your name and tale, thus discouraging you as all the responses within the game is to then adapted around your answer. You are also prompted for your favourite colour for there are no less than four different variations within the game so that it is not something that you can win also, easy and logical.

The game starts with you diving up outside the casino gates. You quickly meet some of the other gamblers before going to your room to dress for dinner. His room has you select a couple of beers than the pilot chickens when a secret tape recorder plays a message from Lord Jack's late secretary, useful in which he states that there is treasure

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Traverse, a ghost with some very odd behavioural habits, the death threat to Tamsin and the mystery at Gaudin's dozing when no body was ever discovered should keep even the most brilliant detective alert for a bit. You will have to go round the circle searching for clues and read passages and asking the guards what they know about various people or objects.

For once, the atmosphere around within the game is not up to the usual laboured standards. The main reason for it is that the Admiralty have no idea how the British upper classes, before war, when they have seen at the pictures, at Colonialism Councils either sounds more like Miss Deakins's father in *My Fair Lady* whilst the leader does a very good impression of Boris Yeltsin rather than Jesus. These shortcomings aside, the rest of the game is well up standard with some of excellent test descriptions and detail, presented on a machine

Information is also tenuous for the area in which the parents are packaged and Windows is no exception. A look at the photo of Cornwall's lowest headline in the article Tama's two letters and an arrow on transfer for a ten-year-old included. If you have already read and yourself solving a major crime on first at this case, you could do a lot worse than discover why Microsoft has helped to make Information the best advantage source in the business for a long

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For some reason or other, most adventure plots have been more concerned with cars and weapons rather than coverings and furs. For Thanksgiving well-hut there has been a distinct lack of decent games. Now, that's more or less the standard has put together three of Level World games into one large collection.

Micro Games is the wife and the game collected are *Snack Attack*, *Revenge to Eden* and *The House at Fowerley*. The games have been rewritten and expanded to make use of Level 9's latest games and compression techniques. In the case of *Snack Attack*, graphics have been redrawn for the first time.

You play the part of Kim Kambler, secret agent extraordinaire. In Snowball, you are charged with protecting an informant from your information. You are aware that something is dreadfully wrong but have no idea what. Instead, you hang back and pursue you in a attempt to make your way to the control room and stop Snowball 9 from reaching into the planet's skin. The fate of a more than million people lies in your hands.

Although you managed to save the ship, it was a horrendous and very painful experience. You have put lives and lives together and made five where there (were) only profits of advantage. You intend to die, you managed to save me and became the first of your race to land on Eden. You must reach the robot city of Urushal and stop them from destroying Saccharal. As if that wasn't enough the crew of Snowball are still after you behind.

In Moscow in November, the setting is the city of Enkhai 100 years later. The organization of the city is somewhat strange, being based on zero time—measured time for crime and a flowing backward in space (time for transplant organs)—was one successful of one man being employed the necessary, but



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The games allow complex statements to be input and the parser supports such features as "just off" and the use of "to" as an infinitive and "again". You can save the game to tape or disk, as well as more temporarily to RAM. Another useful command is "GOFF" which allows you to correct those annoying little mistakes that just happened to tell you by stepping back a step. The games come complete with their own tapes and a CD-ROM version is called "Golden Sands".

Even if you already own one of the subcompact, you should still seriously consider this package in its updated form. If you haven't got one of the games then Silverado Street has got to be one of the biggest of the year at least.

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If you've ever fantasized yourself as a tank commander, here's your chance to prove that you really are a better day commander. Not only do you get to control a tank, but a whole regiment too.

The setting for this latest wargame from the US Gold/SSI stable is a land battle at some stage in the near future. You can choose to play American, Russian and, unusually, Chinese forces over a set of variations that is absolutely mind-boggling. If the problem of controlling so many battles was not hard enough in the first place, the whole game takes place in half hour to three or so, with each turn lasting a couple of minutes and each round of play lasting a couple of hours.

There are a number of basic assumptions. Moreover, apart from the level you get used to the controls. Fairness and exploitation is an obvious threat to co-existence territory. Meeting engagement is a chance encounter. Addressed with you trying to break through the events limit as you try to reach a key objective and defense is the most important. You can choose which side you want to be, which of 40 different territories you want to fight over and whether or not you want to alter the relative amounts of the two sides.

Control of your arms is very straightforward. One letter designates the first and a second to state the order. There is also a moving arm to designate the area you want to shoot at or move to. You can command multiple moving fire normally providing suppressive fire or creating a smoke screen. Enemy units only appear on the map when they have a nearby base discovered.

Apart from your tanks, you may also find yourself in need of supply tanks, anti-tank suits, rescue beeping mortars and engines.

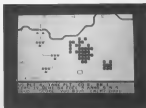
The game went disastrously awry. Starting at a lower level, nothing happened for a few more seconds. I found the enemy and destroyed it without taking any damage. As soon as I started playing for real, everything was on a much grander scale and I got wiped out without any apparent effort on my behalf. Of the enemy, most of whom I never even saw. Coming complete with an excellent 20 page instruction booklet. Battalion Commander in one of the best war games ever conceived for the C&G.

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when a Basic program does it is actually quite difficult to find the name of the program that you wish to make changes to. Wordprocessors get around this with a SEARCH and REPLACE command which allows you to search through a document for the occurrence of one word and turn it into another one. Mac! Pack has a FIND command which will allow you to search through a file for a specific word. There is even an option that allows you to specify which sections of the program is actually searched.

An extension of the FIND command CHANGE, allows you to search a program for a specific word and change it into another.

DUMP will print a list of all variables, functions, and arrays that have been set up to be printed out. This is extremely handy when debugging a program since it allows you to see at a glance the state of all variables.

INFO will give you some interesting data about the status of the computer. Printed out after an INFO command are:

Number of bytes occupied by Basic.
The number of bytes occupied by variables.

Number of bytes occupied by arrays.
Number of bytes occupied by strings.
The number of bytes available for Basic text.

The number of bytes available for variables, arrays and strings.

MEMORG will allow you to MERGE two files together in memory. That is extremely useful if you have a number of subroutines stored on disk since you can add them to your latest masterpiece with this command.

TYPE will take an ASCII file from disk, and print it on the screen. SIZE will display the size of the specified file in bytes and can be used with any type of file and the QUIT command will deactivate the toolbar.

Compressor

When you are writing a program in Basic it is useful to space the program out as much as possible with a small number of statements on each line. To

make it even clearer you may even REM the program to make debugging easier. A more efficient and memory saving method of program writing is to place numerous statements on one line. What a compressor does is take a specified file, remove all unnecessary spaces and all REM statements then reduces the number of lines in the program by placing as many statements on each line as possible.

Figure 1 shows a program before it has been passed through the compressor and also it has been compressed.

Final, Final is an extremely useful addition to the collection of a serious C128 owner. Even in the short time that I have had it for review I have found it indispensable and give it regulars the RAM Disk being exceptionally useful.

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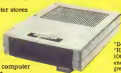
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Gauntlet

The most popular arcade game in the last 12 months has been brought to the small screen. Enter a world of heroes, magic and lurking danger

By Marie Curie

Gauntlet is a two player arcade game which is totally addictive as many of you will know from the hours you've spent shoving your hard earned pennies into arcade machines.

Now it's been released for the C64 by US Gold and is set to be a number one.

It's a one or two player game, but takes two advice and sticks to the two player option. There are two reasons for this, the first is that you'll get much further with it and the second is that it's a great deal more fun. You can decide to help or hinder each other (most play simultaneously) but watch out for treachery if you're supposed to be co-operating. If you're both low on health point then there's a real mad dash for the screen's mercurial mercy to pop you up and the lower may decide even to a pile of bones!

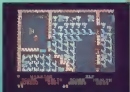
When you start you are given a choice of four characters. You can choose to be either The Warrior, The Mage, The Valkyrie, Merik the Wizard or Quenser the Elf. Each has different attributes and strong weak points. For instance, The Elf goes great armour and is very good at hand to hand combat, however he's pretty poor on the magic front. Merik on the other hand has no magic, can't fly very well with his bare hands but good at rapping people.

Once you've decided which person you want, then you can go straight into the game. Monsters abound, Giant Goblins, Demons, Lichens, Skeletons and Death. Each have different ways of attacking, your strength and they all come in dozens except Death, although numbers of them increase on the higher levels.

When you start play the game you may be quite daunted by the numbers of villains which you are expected to defeat. It tends to work out well around the maze. The first way is to go around the perimeter it is best for the beginners. There are little square blocks which look different depending on the kind of monster they are chasing out. Since there is a number of monsters can be controlled. On level 14 if you can only walk around a section to explore.

Around the dungeons are objects to pick up to increase the chances of success. Potions are very useful, it can be used in a number of ways. There are also some special abilities. You can also grab some, but speed, shot power, light and so on. It's a pretty self explanatory game. The most important thing to collect is the gold. There are points of interest lying around and not to shoot the evil, before, it's a bit different to the highly different to

what you see at once it decreases your health points. They are known as open doors and loads of treasure to pick up. An arrow will make you attack for a while. There are glowing patterns on the floor which move some walls and many gates, take into them and into the maze to another. They are little black squares which move you to another level. If you get away from the next one, you can skip around quite a lot which means that the game has little chance of getting boring as there are hundreds of levels. There are Treasure Rooms which you can hide in at random. There are bonus rooms with no villains but there is a point here. You must collect as much treasure as possible and find the exit. The last 4 levels are harder.



There are a number of different monsters in the game, each with different abilities. The most common are the Goblins, which are small and fast. The Demons are larger and more powerful. The Lichens are the most dangerous, as they can regenerate. The Skeletons are the most common, and the Death is the most powerful.

The game is very addictive, and it's a great deal more fun than most other games. It's a great game for two players, and it's a great game for one player. It's a great game for all ages, and it's a great game for all platforms.

Features:
Play: 1-2 players
Age: 10+
Cost: £19.95
Company: US Gold
Genre: Action/Adventure
Platform: C64, Amiga, Atari ST, PC
Release: 1990

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Merlin Assembler

*Assemblers aren't very common for the C16 and plus/4
However we've managed to have a look at this one from
Wizard Software.*

By Paul Eves

Merlin Assembler is a full 1980 one-pass assembler for the Plus/4 and C16. It comes both on Tape and Disk. Wizard have gone for a green screen display once the assembler is activated. This is not, in a conflict.

The program assumes that the user has a knowledge of 6502 machine code, and you are not familiar. I would suggest you acquire some before attempting to use this package. Because Merlin resides at \$1800 to \$21000 Basic has been moved to \$2101. Once you have a machine having enough available space you type ASM and press return.

Once loaded, Merlin issues the Basic prompt. Therefore you may still use the already familiar editing features of Basic. Basic may also be integrated in the source listing. However, all Basic lines must be after the END statement and are activated by GO20 and not RUN.

Program Designing

When designing a program using Merlin the first instruction must be the COM command. The command tells the assembler when to start reserving memory, here if the command is missing, here if the command is missing then your program will not be assembled. e.g.

```
30 COM $3000
20 LDA # 50
30 END
```

This would be an assembly from \$3000 onwards. In other words the instruction like # 50 would be the first instruction at \$3000.

As COM is the first instruction of any assembly program, END must be

the last. If END is missing the assembler will not know when to stop assembling. In this event, should you have a Basic program after your source code, the assembler will flag every unrecognised line as a syntax error.

The LIST command allows you to see what has just been stored into memory. If you do not wish to see everything you may insert a STOP command e.g.

```
10 COM $3000
20 LIST
30 LDA # 50FF
40 STOP
50 LDA # 120
60 STA $D6
70 END
```

The above program would produce the following display on the screen after the copyright notice.

```
9999 A0 FF LDA # 5FF
READY
```

Note that lines 50, 60 and 70 have not been listed. This is because of the STOP command. If you wish to LIST the whole program then leave the STOP instruction out.

Labels

The use of labels in assembly language programming is vital. Most Basic Assembler Language programming and not Machine Language programming. Nobody in their right mind would attempt Machine Language programming this day unless they were from the old days of large complex machines.

Labels can be used anywhere within your source code, but must be after the first COM command. All

labels must be preceded by a full-stop e.g. LOOP and GOT are valid labels, but LOOP and GOT are not. The use of labels makes the task of the programmer that much more enjoyable. Consider the following small program.

```
30 COM $3000
20 LDA # 5FF
30 ISR DELAY
40 LDA # 50
50 LDA # 500
end of program here
210 DELAY DCR
230 BNE DELAY
240 RTS
240 END
```

Instead of having to calculate forward or backward addresses you can put in your labels and the machine does the hard work for you. Labels also make for better program debugging.

Two instructions that are quite useful are *TTC and *DA. These allow for the storage of data over the ASL if values or NUMBER values e.g.

```
*TTC *YOUR COMMONORE IS
31AT
*TA 30 IS THIS
```

This would store the above two sentences in memory under the ASCII code.

```
*DA $300FF 235 ($M) * 1200
```

This would store the contents of values into memory. Note the mixture of both hex and decimal numbers. 1200 is standard. The \$300FF means that you wish to be taken to hex.

Discussion

Another important feature of assembly programming is to construct *pointers* within the program. This is to hold the programme and any one reading the listing can see what is going on. This is far more important in assembly programming than in other programming. The major advantage (this method) is by the use of remarks. A *comment* is a remark. A remark can be left in the source listing on a line by itself. Alternatively, you can put a remark at the end of space after the instruction with a *comment*.¹ An address

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 In Ready, list containing a list
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All the above, and valid scenarios for forwarding, are errors found as reported back to the peer on wires. The format being **LINE NUMBER** **TYPE** **TEXT** **CODE**. For example:

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Other words: There is an instruction
LIFE

Although this program is not as powerful as the Assembler I am used to (H830 and P81, to name but two), I found it easy and quick to use. Most Registers, in Assembly programming will find M8000 a very good aid to the development of their programs.

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There are two extra points where I think this particular assembly works over most others: that is the assembly has some misgivings of its own. To make this more understandable, look at the following short passage:

NO LIEGE & SWORN
NO LIEGE & SWEPT
NO LIEGE (SWEPT) 3x
NO LIEGE (SWEPT) 5x

I am, hope legal and ruled Low 200 as) would. However, the assembler would assume that you meant LDRH (00) in other words it ignores the H1 order byte and loads the accumulator with the LOW order byte. Lower 16 and 40 is, half-accumulator errors that you will make (halfword mis-addressing always manages to confuse, people). On considering these types of errors the assembler would assume, that you meant LDRH (00C) % and 40 LDRH (00C) % registers. This feature of the assembler is, in my opinion its greatest asset.

I have to be totally formed, and say that as my knowledge of the *Philo* and *CM* is somewhat restricted, I could not give this package the kind of depth anal that I would prefer. However, from what I have seen of *Philo* I have no doubt about its being short as a novel. *How*

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Games Reviews

As always there is a wide variety of games currently available. We've picked out a selection for you to peruse.

DRIFTERS

Looks like you're not going to believe that Earth is in danger again and you've got to save it!

Drifters is a distant planet used by man to regenerate dangerous waste. Now some unpleasant aliens have experienced it to produce a killer virus that to wipe out mankind. Naturally, you, alone, are sent to obliterate these Haxians and save the world.

The galaxy is split into several levels that you must visit, rapping alien as you go, and a dimension door opening you through to the next level.

Each level consists of varied barriers and objects designed for you to crash into while being chased by mobile being alien.

In between levels a bonus screen helps you to practice your shooting skills but it doesn't save the game from becoming yet another Drifters-inspired shoot-em-up. **B** **BT**

Techline

Drifters: Supplier: Turpin, 2-4 Person, 1and, Parabolic 2 and London W11 2DA. Tel: 01 717 8578. Machine: C64 Price: 14.95

Graphics: 4/10. Graphics: 5/10. Playability: 1/10. Value: 2/10



DESTROYER



Take the helm of a US Fletcher class Destroyer as well as the guns, depth charges, torpedoes, sonar, radar, navigation and damage control stations in a Dumbdown style anti-submarine game.

Between stations all together must be monitored and controlled if you are to complete one of the seven operations, in which you must escort convoys, hunt submarines, locate pilots and run blockades.

Each station has a set of controls and impressive graphics coming from the bridge back of controls to the ship on the water screen.

After a screen briefing, you're on your own. Typing in your letter commands moves you between stations where you can plot courses or set depth charge depths ready for a submarine attack.

As the action heats up you will have to assign damage control areas, fight the enemy and keep the ship off the ground with.

The game plays very well and when you'll be fighting your ally through the difficulty levels saving your stripes as a 14,000-ton captain.

Destiny is very similar in play and style to Micrograil's short lippy Silver Seas, with the same sort of long slow lead about the water.

T.H.

Touchline

Title: *Touchline* **Supplier:** *U.S. Gold (Japan)* **Units:** 20
Release: Nov. **Release:** Birmingham B6 545 **Price:** £9.95
Machine: C64
Dependability: 8/10 **Graphics:** 9/10 **Playability:** 8/10 **Value:** 5/10

FL AND GORDON

First, you've only got 24 hours to save the world! Third, Emperor Ming has targeted places rather than cities and you must stop him.

Unfortunately, the only way you can do this is to kill Ming before he invents a form the controls he shares common with him.

The mission hasn't varied well as your ship crashed into a jungle instead of blowing Ming's palace apart. Now you have to search out Prince Barn and win his confidence (he's hiding from enemies) and take to Ming's Palace on a bike he'll give you while lighting Ming's mission.

All this must be completed within 24 hours which isn't easy as you have valuable time whenever a jungle member or snake charges you or Prince Barn defects you.

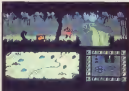
Luckily the 24 hours doesn't take into loading time as the game plays in three parts and you must complete them in order.

Yet another excellent game in Micrograil's M A D series.

T.H.

Touchline

Title: *Flint Gordon* **Supplier:** *Micrograil* **Units:** 10 **Post:** Server
Location: EC2A 4BW **Machine:** C64 **Price:** £3.95
Dependability: 8/10 **Graphics:** 8/10 **Playability:** 8/10 **Value:** 8/10



INTRODUCED

Players for the ultimate in excitement. A game based on astroscopic movements that pick up and deliver parcels! OK, so the titles are an odd mixture but it does and it's set in the future but the action delivered by these futuristic Postman Pals is positive.

The transport system used by the introduced is extremely silly and consists of canisters split into four lanes, travelling in each direction. During lane consists of a series of platforms that travel faster the further it is from the central canister. Down the centre of the canister, are left canisters to the canisters that you deliver to and from, garages to repair your droid and stations to get to the 24 other canisters.

The result is that the droids must hop around these speed platforms like depressed froggers with liberty, it really is a hard task, but the destination. As for this game, it's going nowhere.

T.H.

Touchline

Title: *Introduce* **Supplier:** *Arnold* **Release:** *Wolffington House* **Units:** 2
Price: £1.95 **Location:** *London WC2N 5GL* **Tel:** 01 379 7199
Machine: C64 **Price:** £9.95
Dependability: 8/10 **Graphics:** 1/10 **Playability:** 6/10 **Value:** 5/10



TRIVIAL PURSUIT — YOU'VE PLAYERS' EDITION

This is the first of Domark's additional question packs planned for its Trivial Pursuit game.

This one's for the younger revolution and contains two sets of questions (one seven to 11 year olds and 12 years up).

The gameplay is identical to the original Criss edition except the categories have now changed to Nature, Science/Technology, Arts/Culture, Good Times, Games/Hobbies and People and Places.

While playing the game you can find out such fascinating facts as what colour is used to make film, who produced *That's Life*, how the Atom Bomb is Hideo's grandfather and the colour of a cricket ball.

The colour is available in two different versions either

as a complete game or as a 3000 question trivia game pack. Is the original game?

Obviously this one is for the youngsters and will be good training for the Census taker but who wants to be tested by an eight year old?

Other planned editions include the Census II and Baby Boomer packs. **T.H.**

Touchline

Title: Touchline - 1st Year Player Edition **Supplier:** Dement, 204 Weyrie Road, London SE18 3P. **Machine:** C64 **Price:** £14.95 (half priced £7.95 Aqueduct pack) **Dependencies:** 1/10 **Graphics:** 6/10 **Playability:** 9/10 **Value:** 9/10



MEDATOR

When the American label was first launched, most people saw it as the label on which US Gold would dump all the games which failed the grade, thereby incriminating none of not all of them. Time, however, has shown that although there have been some poor releases on the whole, the label has managed a very high level of quality, and with releases such as *Con Fire Gold*, the label has become a firm favourite with Commodore 64 owners.

All this said, the latest release, *Medator*, may well be remembered by some of you as it was released, substantially more than a few months ago, by English Software, a company which, in its time, has had quite a few hits. *Medator* was not a hit, it is a matter for conjecture, but at £19.95 it really does deserve to make the grade.

The game is set long ago, when a doomsday machine was placed in high orbit above the earth. Nylor and Phobos, with a sole task to deter further attacks of nuclear war between the empires of the galaxy. If this satellite demonstrates levels of nuclear activity, it will be activated and it will fire down both civilisations.

As the reviewer of the galaxy, it is your task to ignore the legends, Good Medator, to acquire the critical item code, which will then allow you to solve all the problems of your game. Graphically, *Medator* shows its age in more ways than one. The actual animation is very good, but the



split screen between play, a problem, and the touchdowns are less than perfect.

The screen too reflects the age of the game, especially the background music, which is nothing short of annoying. The fact is that this game is not trying to be sold at full price, therefore many criticisms must be ignored, purely because the game represents such excellent value for money. If you can stand the graphics and sound, then the game is as good as many more recent full priced games, with more than enough problems to test the average arcade game fan happy for some 45 hours. **T.H.**

Touchline

Title: Mediator **Supplier:** J. & Gold (Year 3/1) **Machine:** Winc **Machine:** Commodore 64 **Price:** £21.95 **Machine:** C64 **Dependencies:** 6/10 **Playability:** 9/10 **Graphics:** 6/10 **Value:** 5/10



BEFCOM

By the year 2050 the Strategic Defence Initiative, Star Wars, system was in position 1981 had been installed, installed and captured by aliens after the such it into a weapon

against the now principal band.

Luckily you as Merl, "Daring," Diamond can utilize the only surviving anti-aircraft weapon and a war effort to save the world.

Unfortunately, you only have a single firing laser and must blast away at the marching army, and the laser warbles over the planet's rotating ball.

The action is first but also very descriptive, so you'll see what of that and look at the main options such as a fire or firing laser and displaying your score, on the screen? However, there are selected from a menu while the game continues so you won't live long enough to appreciate them.

Yes, another game where a good idea has been let down by a poor game.

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Tarzan

Title: *Tarzan* **Supplier:** QuickStar **Vectors:** *Master* **License:** *Share* **London:** 01 734 7521 **Tel:** 01 410 0666 **Machine:** *2.64* **Price:** £15.95

Usability: 5/10 **Graphics:** 3/10 **Playability:** 4/10 **Value:** 4/10

TARZAN

From the western coast of the Congo, to the palm fringed shores of Zanzibar, African folklore tells of the legendary exploits of one man: that man was Tarzan, Lord of the Apes. Let us as on a screen as the jungle, Tarzan was raised by a chimpanzee, Kala, and Tarzan learnt the laws and language of the jungle.

Only later in life was it discovered that Tarzan was really more other than John Cleese, Lord Greysmith. Whether or not, he was a Peer of the Realm, Tarzan was still himself at heart, and whenever necessary he would die his brother lionheart and wing. Westminster took through the trees.

Here as we speak, however, sends Tarzan to slay off the two voices of civilization and leave the perils of the jungle once again. Lady Jane Greystoke (that of "me Tarzan you Jane") here has been abducted by Unga, chief of the Wamalas, and the will cost a terrible and agonising death, unless Tarzan returns at the very game since we have been warned from the initial screen.



This is the setting for Marzetti's latest romp and could be the beginning of the end for anyone who likes addition to the adventures with a necessary for mapping. In three computer days you must control Tarzan and you have locally collected all seven gems, and only then will you have any chance of saving Jane.

To help Tarzan, there are various animals and inanimate objects that must be collected including ropes, monkey and different coloured shells. Without these items, Tarzan will never complete his mission, so a keen eye is required.

The first thing anyone will notice upon loading the game is Roby Haydon's incredible soundtrack, which, technically, must be his most important to date. With only 4k, four Roby has managed to get the whole Tarzan theme complete with incredibly authentic, longer, as well as a host of effects including a nightmare version complete with chattering monkeys!

Once loaded, the quality of the graphics is also apparent. Nice backgrounds and an excellent animated Tarzan add to the feeling of the game, although the same values to look-what the screen, and the manner in which it is done is less than impressive.

Tarzan is an excellent audio adventure which together with games such as *Archard*, show the way for software companies to go. Even if the game was boring the Roby Haydon music would justify the price, however it isn't so how can you lose?

FI

Tarzan

Title: *Tarzan* **Supplier:** Western **Western:** *Share* **Price:** £15.95 **Machine:** *2.64* **Price:** £15.95

Usability: 5/10 **Graphics:** 3/10 **Playability:** 3/10 **Value:** 4/10

THEY STOLE A MILLION

Ever wanted to play the perfect crime from the viewpoint of your loving victim? Now you can using the S.W.A.G. (SoftWare for Arrogant Criminals) disk available through "What Crime?" magazine.

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Using the biography and a snapshot of some you can plan every step of the road from doubling shares to blowing the tale.

During the next the Boss usually will be kidnapped (water) and must rescue the action is a police patrol, corner interview.

Success will lead you on to bigger and better jobs until you make a top society, bank as you go for the million.

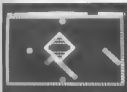
T.H.

Touchline

Title: *They Shoot a Million Supplied Amateurs* 48 Lines
for London 114.25 ROM Machine C64 Price £9.95
Developer: 5/10 Graphics, 5/10 Playability, 7/10 Value
7/10

STARBURST

The C64burst seems to have slowed down slightly, and such a number of really good games. One of the few games that really made the best of the little Commodore's graphics and colour was an offering from AmigaSoft called Starburst and programmed by Tony Takeuchi.



Initially, when my latest Amiga 2 also to build (well) reputation of it, I was eager to get my graphics into hands of the public and put it through its paces. However, it first impression wasn't. Then this game failed to impress me. It seemed to me that the author had tried to cover up for the game's obvious faults by overcompensating the gameplay something that has seen many people fall for on their face.

Only after a few hours play did it start to find myself hooked although why I was hooked I'm not totally sure. Starburst is basically a beautiful derivative with some new ideas and added gameplay. In order to keep the game interesting for more than a few minutes, there are three

different levels all of which take time, time is money.

The first level involves taking target and the level at the top and bottom of the screen until they have been hit so many times that they become "squares". These drop then stage firing and turn into a large pump type box, with which you must guide these two balls into their respective home slots. The moral of this version is speed. As the level is completed, the more points are built up. If this level sounds too easy, there are some square balls to complicate it, and if you fail to achieve the objective before the two score gauges run out, then you must start a completely new game (no lives on the level).

If you successfully complete level one, you are thrown into a bonus level, and it is here that points come free and easy until time runs out. Level two involves blasting through a forest field from either the bottom or the top of the screen. As the forestfield shrinks, a number of coloured balls appear, and must be avoided at all costs, and at one point it gets so bad that there are eight balls flying around at bomb-like speeds! As with level one, completion leads to a bonus level, which lasts as long as the amount of gauge time you have remaining.

Level three ought to be the most difficult but even if all you need to do is round up the Pastern Boulder by shooting three Points are flying around here with 500 available every time you complete the game. *Starburst* at £2.99, represents excellent value for money and should not be missed by any C64/Amiga owner looking for a challenge.

F.J.

Touchline

Title: *Starburst Supplied Amateurs* 48 Lines 48 Lines
Developer: London 114.25 ROM Price £9.95 ROM Machine
C64/Amiga C Price £9.95
Developer: 5/10 Graphics, 5/10 Playability, 7/10 Value
7/10



CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING

Over the past couple of years, one company above all others has stood out when it comes to sport simulations. That company is Epyx. Once again they have proved their

worth with *Championship Wrestling*. In general I am not a great sports fan. However, where computers are concerned, I feel that sports programs offer a fine medium of entertainment.

Basically the objective in *Championship Wrestling* is to get rid of all opponents and become the Champion wrestler. As in most fight games, the more people that participate the better. On loading up you are asked if you want to either practice, compete at an world records.

Obviously, to start with you choose the practice option. This allows you to get acquainted with all the various moves and control positions that are required. (I would suggest you get plenty of practice before doing battle with someone else.)

In the competition mode, if you are playing alone, you select a wrestler and then play each of the seven others in turn. With more than one player, each player will be asked to choose a wrestler. The computer then organizes the matches and battle begins.

When playing in competition, judicious selection of who you want to be is crucial. Each wrestler has his own style and scoring points. Also each has one specialized move that none of the others have. So once again practice is recommended to discover each wrestler's effect on you. (This move is known as the custom move.)

Overall, there are some 30 moves possible that each wrestler can perform. Unfortunately, there is not enough space here to go into each one in detail. Basically, they are in eight groups: close to opponent, far from opponent, routine move, headlock, lift, air plane spin, opponent on mat and walking around ring. The use of certain moves depends upon your previous move. For example to give your opponent an airplane spin you need to be lifting him in the air. To be able to lift him, you need to have him in a headlock. To get him into a headlock you have to be close in. It's the interaction of moves that makes the game that much more enjoyable.

There are one or two extra touches within the program. For instance, if you take your time the droid will boo and hiss and wave his arms. Throw your opponent out of the ring and the crowd go wild. All in all, this is a really polished game that with practice is quite playable and fun.

Touchline

Title: *Championship Wrestling* **Supplier:** US Gold, Cade 374
Highest Win: Redford Birmingham 86 74.1 **Price:** £9.95
Compatibility: 1/19 **Graphics:** 2/10 **Playability:** 2/10 **Value:** 3/10

PARADEROID

For those of you that missed them last time round, Hewson has re-released two very popular 16-bit, *Paradeoid* and *Ordnoid*, both programmed by Andy Bradbrook. *Paradeoid* is the same as before, except that it is much faster, whilst *Ordnoid* has lots of new ship designs. So what do you have to do?

Paradeoid is simple, you are ordered to destroy a massive crew of Droids that have taken over a galaxy's Droids. To and you in your task you are armed with a 'Dead Influence' device. With this device you can take over and control Droids. (This can also single blast them out of

their existence). The droids are scattered around the ship, which is made up of several decks. Obviously, things are not that easy. The droids are made up of varying power



strength. The higher the droid number the better it is. Once you destroy all droids on one deck, the deck computer shut down and therefore all lights go out. In other words the deck goes dark. One word of caution here. Do not think that it is simply a matter of blowing everything in sight on each level. There is a lot more strategy involved. We only read up for you a proceed slowly.

Next question is, what weapons have I? The inferior device is fitted with low power ray lasers. The droids also have two low power beam. However as the droid number becomes higher, then so firepower increases. Two types of battle droids have destructors, these you have to take over, you cannot shoot them. Transferring to droid is quite involved, but most of the strategy is applied to this part of the game. Example which droid you want to take over, stop and control the control. Press the fire button and hold it down, then run the wheeled droid. The screen will now change to what resources are available. The idea being to control the rectangular blocks by having your colour represented inside the block. You gain control of a block by moving your pulsar up or down, then pressing the fire button at the required place. If after the next time you have more of the blocks coloured in your colour transfer is complete. The higher the droid number, the more pulsars are made available to it.

To move around the different decks, find one of the 16-bit and press the button which you are standing on it. You may view decks, the whole ship, or droid capabilities by standing on lights on any of the deck, controls that are scattered around.

I have enjoyed *Paradeoid* the first time, but now that it has been made slightly faster in play, it becomes even more enjoyable.

Touchline

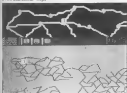
Title: *Paradeoid* **Supplier:** Hewson **Machine:** Hewson, 368
Highest Trading: Exeter 10000 **Score:** 10000 **Price:** £9.95
Compatibility: 2/19 **Graphics:** 2/10 **Playability:** 3/10 **Value:** 3/10

TRACKER

A Chandon, leader of an unscrupulous gang of space pirates and mercenaries, you have been given a tough assignment: The corporate complex on the planet of Zogrus IV has gone bankrupt. The computer that controls all forms of life on this planet of pleasure, has decided that it no longer needs human controllers. No problem: just switch it off! Wrong. This computer has a few tricks up its sleeve — if computers have sleeves — to keep you pulling the plug.

Surfaced of these are the Cycloid patrol craft, over which a big radio control. These craft patrol the trackways that surround the computer complex, destroying anything on their path: this can be a problem if you are on the trackways at the time. Therefore, to aid you in your mission, you have been equipped with the best ships that Cabbian can provide. To reach the computer center it is necessary for you, along with a maximum of seven other ships, to traverse the trackways, knocking out communication centres and the relays.

Your ships are equipped with ion bombs, and forward long beams to accomplish this task. The bombs have very short fuses, and do not hang about too long. The C.P. complex consists of 32 interconnecting relays, each with its own communication centre. You are usually forced down to them, 'face first', and end on knocking out a relay, bring down additional ships.



The game itself is displayed in three sections. At the top of the screen is a working map centered on the current ship being controlled. Any enemy targets are also displayed on the screen. Half way down the screen is the status window. Shows here are the current conditions of all eight ships. Also show status and whether they are under attack or not. On the left of this window, is a more informative display of your current ship at use. Along with this, there is an endurance meter, a sort of score which continuously counts down. The better you do, the more points you rack up. Beneath this is where most of the action takes place.

This screen has two functions. Firstly, it displays one of five maps of varying scales. These are selected via the function keys. Alternatively, a 3D view through the cockpit can be called up. This is where all combat takes place. This screen is used when dropping bombs on Cycloid vessels, and when destroying the computer itself.

The game comes well packed, with a short manual, to get you into the right mood. It is a good attempt at an

impact game. The game itself is a very cunning and strategically oriented game, with undertones of the Star Wars movie sequences. At £17.95 this may be a little pricey for some people, but if you can afford it, you could do a lot worse than purchase this program.

Touchline

Title: Tracker **Supplier:** Rainbow Software, Wellington House, Upper Street, Marina Lane, London WC2H 9NL. **Price:** £17.95 **Machine:** C64

Dependency: 3/10 **Graphics:** 8/10 **Playability:** 8/10 **Value:** 7/10

URIDIUM

The second of Hewson's releases is *Uridium*. Fans of this game will only need to be told that this is the same as before but with some new superb ships. For those of you that are new to this game let me expand.

The outer system is under attack from metal seeking ships, known as Super-dreadnoughts. These ships seek out and destroy precious metal ores from the planets within your sector. Your task is to destroy the dreadnought before they extract all the delicate ore. Firstly, you must destroy its defences both on the surface of the ship, and those that fly around its attack groups. Control is by the joystick and it is believed tip and down control your height above the ships surface. Left and right control your direction. Avoid structures on the ships surface that cast shadows, this means that they are high up. The dreadnought's fighter defences deploy in waves, so be prepared for some silly flying.

On the ship, the small coloured squares that flash, are clues for the homing mines. These can be fairly easily avoided if they appear single. Destroy as many of the surface defences as you can, whilst avoiding the fighters. Keep flying right, and hit on the lock, out for a landing ring. Once the LAND HOME signal is seen, land your craft as quickly as possible. The surface fighters become very intelligent at this point.

On safety landing, you are then presented with the bonus screen. It is up to you to gain as many points as possible before flying over the dreadnought for the final score run. I have to be honest, and say that normally, I am not into chase and blast out type of games. We have been very softy before. However, when *Uridium* first came out, I must confess I could not stop playing it. Therefore something about the program that puts it in the same class as the old tracks 2, 2 and 3. I am pleased to say that this re-release lives up to its predecessor. The new dreadnought designs are done really well. And quite a few of them will have you pulling your hair out. The designs are in the same class as before, with one or two extra characters re-defined.

Touchline

Title: Uridium **Supplier:** Hewson, Preston House 266 Nelson Trading Estate, Milton Abbeys, Cam CB24 4RL. **Machine:** C64 **Price:** £9.95 with Paradox

Dependency: 7/10 **Graphics:** 8/10 **Playability:** 9/10 **Value:** 8/10

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One of the biggest investments which a computer user makes is inevitably a printer. For this reason we've put a new Citizen model through its paces

By Mycroft Appleby

The Citizen LSP-10 printer is one of the few mid-price, desktop printers that is making Citizen a very big name in the personal world at the moment.

It's easy to see why Citizen has come so far so fast. The LSP-10 is a full-width printer with all the facilities found on the more expensive Epson, along with NLQ and instant/fixation head options. Externally, the machine is a lot smaller than its immediate competitors in dimensions, being 350mm wide, 250mm deep and 100mm high. The internal features comprise the usual on/off line feed lever, and form feed. With indicators for power, paper out and ready. The current head towards setting the print options for bold, italics, NLQ etc., is from the front panel, a not supported head, which is a shame—but this is a low cost printer.

Paper and Print

The paper advance knob is well mounted on the right of the machine immediately above the interface connector. Having the interface on the side of a printer is most assuredly a most proven way there on the back, but when you think about it, the side is a most logical place to attach rollers in, too; then don't load the paper from the power cable door, which is at the back, but at an angle corner and have a 90 degree bend in it to make the cable change sideways.

The printer comes at standard with instant head, but a motor option is available. This feeds the paper in very much, and is one of the most trouble-free paper feeds that I have come across. The instant head can also be supplemented by a sheet feeder that will feed correspondence quality paper to complement the NLQ print. Paper loading is trouble-free to someone who thinks I thought meant it by using the Epson method of loading paper. Where there is no paper in the machine, the

form feed button doubles as an auto paper load button that takes the paper from the back of the machine to in front of the print head.

Print speed varies between 18 characters per second in NLQ mode and 120 cps when printing draft. The draft output isn't bad, but obviously isn't as good as you would expect for a printer where most selling point is this ability. With the LSP-10 it is more of a bonus. The NLQ in this case should be considered as just an option to read matrix font, you wouldn't write a letter to your bank manager with it.

Interfacing

As is becoming common nowadays the interface is on a cartridge. The one I had was a connector-pendulo type, but I believe a Commodore serial card is available. The cartridge is flush fitting, and is clipped in the same way as the bottom of the case. Unless you know that it is there you wouldn't ever suspect it. A well thought out point with the cartridge is that the dip-switches are on it. These are the switches that set up the different start-up options and functions on the printer. Usually, you have to scrape around the inside of the printer or even open up the case with a screwdriver. With the LSP-10 you can remove the printer pack and use and have it in front of you when you consult the manual.

The dip switches on this printer are more important than in most as they set the emulation mode of the machine. The printer is capable of emulating the popular (i.e. around 80% of the market) Epson range of printers to a greater or lesser degree. This means that if you ever have word-wrap software for example, you may find that it has an Epson option on it. One of the few Citizen

emulation modes should add to it. It is also emulate the less popular but business standard IBM graphics printer. But as you don't often find these on Commodore you probably won't ever need it.

Documentation

The manual is a worthy tome, in a general, binding that has five very useful. The concepts and features of the printer are introduced in a logical manner with a tried example, sample outputs, and diagrams. At the end of the manual there is a new set card with all the most common escape codes and used. This saves a lot of time as I usually have to dig through the manual, making it extremely degraded to obtain the information.

All the escape codes and functions are listed around the common Epson standard with the usual bold, double strike, compressed, expanded, underline, correspondence quality, etc. supported. The graphics capabilities is also good with three graphics characters up to around 1800 dots on an eight inch line. There is also a two speeds for the medium density print to improve quality at the cost of reducing speed. You can also define your own characters on the 1100 print buffer if you discard the 25 printer buffer.

Verdict

Overall I can safely say that having used the printer on regular basis for the last month, that I am extremely happy with it. It provides most of the facilities of the most popular printer in the world, with most of the little shortcomings that get the stars of Epson covered over and at a much more reasonable price. Definitely at the top of my list for printers at the moment. 

COMMODORE SUN-4/CTE

FAST-LOAD — FAST-LOAD AND SAVE

The system includes a fast-loading and saving program that can load and save programs in less than a second. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to save it frequently. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

SUPER-SHARE

The system includes a super-share program that allows you to share files with other users on the same system. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to share it with other users. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

EXTENDED JOYSTICK

The system includes an extended joystick program that allows you to use a joystick to control the system. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to use a joystick. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

THE WORKS — TAPE BACK-UP

The system includes a tape back-up program that allows you to back up your files to tape. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to back up your files. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

THE BANG — TAPE TO DISK

The system includes a tape to disk program that allows you to transfer files from tape to disk. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to transfer files. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

MEDIUM ASSEMBLER

The system includes a medium assembler program that allows you to assemble programs. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to assemble it. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

BLACK CAT — GRAPHIC PROGRAMMER

The system includes a black cat program that allows you to create graphics. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to create graphics. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

SUPREMACY ADVENTURE — 5 GREAT DEALS

The system includes a supremacy adventure program that allows you to play a game. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to play a game. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

CASSETTE HARD-PAGES

The system includes a cassette hard-pages program that allows you to create hard-pages. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to create hard-pages. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

TAPE HARD-ASSEMBLY-CHECK

The system includes a tape hard-assembly-check program that allows you to check assembly. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to check assembly. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

COMMODORE 64

EVER HAD A LOADING PROBLEM?

The system includes a loading problem program that allows you to solve loading problems. This is a real time-saver when you're working on a program and need to solve loading problems. The program is included in the system software and can be loaded and saved at any time.

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Hex Data Entry

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B. M. C. Spectra acquired by P. A. Eves

The Post Commander Hen Dale Early program has been written with you (the reader in mind) in mind. It is a personalizing critical response to all the long lists of data. This program will reward a HOF's correction, each and every time you use it.

I have made this version as straightforward as possible so as to save you having to type in a large program. There are only four options in this version: LOAD DATA, SAVE DATA, ENTER DATA, PRINT DATA. There will be a much larger version coming forth which will give you more options and will have Windows, Redefined Characters, Scrolling Text, etc.

On first entering the BASIC Data Editor, enter the LOAD DATA and DATA ENTRY options, are available to you. This is because the buffer is empty and the other two options require data to be present. On selecting the LOAD DATA option, you are asked for TAPE or DISK. Press either T or D then RETURN. The program remembers that last input/output and so it is possible to just hit RETURN if the correct device type is being displayed. You are then returned to your BASIC prompt.

Upper-case letters make it easier to discover errors but check marks, too, will not be allowed to enter a Microfilm Filenames can be a combination of alphanumeric except graphics up to 100 characters. If you should make an error in your filenames, you may either delete single characters by the DEL key or SHIFT/ENDLINE will delete the whole filename. It is extremely careful when typing in your filenames, since an incorrect filename will not only stop filenames that are moved on whatever device you are using. After the prompt is displayed, the file will be loaded into the buffer. The program will allow files up to 100 characters in length to be loaded in. If you want larger programs entered you will have to split them into two or more parts first. After the load control is entered back on the main screen.

The save option is identical to the load, except that it takes the contents of the buffer and saves them on to the given start address. This will save an error, in this case, that can be avoided by

more understanding of the human experience.

Age Group	Option A (%)	Option B (%)	Option C (%)	Option D (%)
18-24	65	25	5	5
25-34	60	30	5	5
35-44	65	25	5	5
45-54	60	30	5	5
55-64	65	25	5	5
65+	70	20	5	5

The Data Entry option is the option by which you can store data from your Commodore or other disk operations. Once this option is selected you are asked if you want to continue from the given address. If you have not "Loaded" a file, the address will be the next available byte in the buffer. Following you can add more data to the end of the loaded file. There is also time off the program currently in memory. Therefore if you wish to continue in page 4 in the low address range "0" if "N" is pressed the program resumes you are starting a fresh start. When that happens the buffer is reset to zero, thus giving you program currently in memory. 4) Once chosen \$C000 is the normal start up address partly because most BASIC programs reside there. After pressing "N" you are then asked for the starting address, in Hex. Any valid Hex number is acceptable e.g. 3000, \$C000, \$4000. In this example the first figure, 3000, would be interpreted as \$0000 by the program. Likewise \$200 in values to be \$0200.

Circle the most address in g.m. you are asked if you want electronic to you. If you are typing in a postcard from your Commander your response will be "h". If you are entering your own response then select "N".

The screen displays row changes to show the current addition being posted into Type and Val. How number and the program automatically clips the next line without the need to type column spaces or returns. If you make a mistake, one press of the DEL key will erase the whole number. If on the no checkmark menu, when you get to the end of the line, the line will automatically scroll up one, so you can make more.

If in checksum mode, after eight bytes are entered you must type the two digit checksum at the end of the line. Unlike the no-checksum mode you now have to enter a space after the

If the program finds that the checksum does not match the line entered a warning tone will be sounded. You will then be asked if you wish to enter an Rx-order the line or to Repeat the challenge.

After checking your file, if you're not sure you've named it correctly, then press **F1**. The line will be revised and then re-input is automatic. If you find that you have made a mistake, typing in the characters, then press **C** and enter it. Should you wish to skip entering data, simply press **END** or space bar on a blank line to go back on the main menu. There's no more to your program so far. As to the another day, or you may wish to see tomorrow.

On choosing the print option, to have a choice of hard copy or screen. The listing can be paused at a time by pressing down and holding down any key. Pressing the RUN/STOP key and holding it down will break out of the print mode and return you to the menu screen.

The left arrow has "top left" as its keyboard name as well as its return key name. The space bar has its return key name when entering data. The keyboard also has a key for searching for a record.

The load spins allows a program less than 95 blocks to be loaded into the buffer so it is possible to load a basic program, obtain a file dump, then create the program and another tape or disk, without having to stop tape.

I hope that this program will help take the designers out of typing into the land of this technology.

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Superbowl Sunday

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WIMPS and Much More

*For those of you who found our WIMP Program useful
here are a couple of additions to make it easier and
more enjoyable*

By Allen Webb

Ever since I wrote a major letter taking into consideration its program users when they are working up a program available. This is why I have decided to provide this addition to the Wimp program which appeared in the December 1986 issue of *Home Commodore*.

After writing the demonstration routine I felt that while a few corrections it didn't give you anything to work from I have therefore prepared a universal menu routine to use with the package. This routine is given in Listing 1.

The main of the routine occupies lines 10000 onwards. To use the routine you must first pass the following parameters:

```
ME1 MENU STRING
MW MENU WIDTH
MH TOTAL MENU HEIGHT
XL X COORDINATE TOP LEFT CORNER
YL Y COORDINATE TOP LEFT CORNER+1
CL2 MENU COLOURS
```

The routine will then draw the menu and set up the pointer. The routine detects the movement of the pointer and highlights the menu options or "last page" when they are passed. The action press is detected if an option has been selected and the routine then is of the following information:

```
TASK=OPTION SELECTED
LP=0 IF MENU ITEM
LP=1 IF LAST PAGE
```

You can use the values of TASK and LP to direct the logic of the rest of your program.

Input Instructions

The idea of this routine is to provide a set of routines which can be used to create various applications to reduce the tedium of programming.

One part of the task is the INPUT instruction. Most software requires the input of information and a lot of routines that such operations are both user friendly and short-hand. The basic INPUT has several drawbacks and is not suitable for serious software. Many programmers use either GET or INPUT using a logical file opened to the screen.

It becomes particularly irritating if you want to limit the characters to be accepted. For example what if you want to prompt for a response using only 'Y' or 'N'? This was in the routine:

```
10 GET Y$ IF Y$ < > "Y" OR
15 < > "N" THEN 10
20 IF Y$="Y" THEN
```

This is simple enough but if you want to accept a larger group of

characters, the routine becomes messy.

The use of a user defined input routine appeared to be the answer. Such a routine should have the following features:

- 1) The routine should provide flashing prompts, easily placed at specified screen positions.
- 2) A list of acceptable characters should be ready at all times.
- 3) The routine should wait for the user to screen to allow the user to see what has been input. The ability to delete incorrect characters should be available.
- 4) The input should be easily limited to a specified length. The input should ignore the screen contents. There will allow the prompt terminated display.
- 5) The input should be returned as specific string variable.
- 6) The routine should ignore a set of spaces.

Such a routine is given in Listing 2. This routine provides all of the features described. The DEL key is used to correct input.

This routine has a number problem.

```
875 13+400-BY AS X Y IL
```

where

- 85 string in hold input
- As string specifying acceptable



ROUTINES

- X. X-coordinate of input prompt
- Y. Y-coordinate of input prompt
- L. length of input

Listing 3

```

100 A1= ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP
    QRSUVWXYZ
110 A2= A1+1012345678901234567890
120 L=10000: FOR I=1 TO L: B2=
    B2+CHR$(A1+I) NEXT
130 A1=13+800: B2= A1+800
140 PRINT B2(1400)
150 PRINT B2(1400)
160 GOTO 100

```

In Listing 3 lines 100 and 110 set up the list of acceptable characters in A1. The input length is limited to 1000 lines. This string will hold the input and must clearly be long enough to hold the full input. Line 140 gets the input with a prompt at the start of line 11.

The routine will put the input in the place where B1 is defined if for example you replaced line 130 with:

```

140 B1= B2(1000)

```

If after using the routine, you were to let the program, you would find the list B1 had been altered. The reason is that if a string is defined in a program then there, doesn't bother using up the string elsewhere. Using the line given in Listing 3 lines 1300 set up the variable B2 and therefore program completion of the program.

Listing 4 gives a demonstration of a simple menu requiring a single key input. It should show how easy the routine is to use.

Listing 4

```

100 A1= CHR$(
    101)100+CHR$(10)
110 PRINT CHR$(107)+CHR$(10)
120 PRINT "MAIN MENU"
130 PRINT CHR$(107)+TAB(14) "1"
    INITIALISE"
140 PRINT CHR$(107)+TAB(14) "2"
    NO RECORD"
150 PRINT CHR$(107)+TAB(14) "3"
    PRINT RECORD"
160 PRINT CHR$(107)+TAB(14) "4"
    PRINT REPORT"
170 PRINT CHR$(107)+CHR$(107)+TAB(14)
    "5" SELECT OPTION BY ENTERING"

```

360 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "6"
 KEY & PRESSING"
370 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "7"
 RETURN"
380 A1=100+CHR\$(10)
390 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "1"
 CHR\$(100) WAS SELECTED"

That's all for this month. I hope I decided what to tackle next time but I'll think of something. Don't forget to have your comments (preferably on diskette) and suggestions via the editor.

To

ROUTINE 1	ROUTINE 2
<pre> 100 A1= ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP QRSUVWXYZ 110 A2= A1+1012345678901234567890 120 L=10000: FOR I=1 TO L: B2= B2+CHR\$(A1+I) NEXT 130 A1=13+800: B2= A1+800 140 PRINT B2(1400) 150 PRINT B2(1400) 160 GOTO 100 </pre>	<pre> 100 A1= CHR\$(101)100+CHR\$(10) 110 PRINT CHR\$(107)+CHR\$(10) 120 PRINT "MAIN MENU" 130 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "1" INITIALISE" 140 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "2" NO RECORD" 150 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "3" PRINT RECORD" 160 PRINT CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "4" PRINT REPORT" 170 PRINT CHR\$(107)+CHR\$(107)+TAB(14) "5" SELECT OPTION BY ENTERING" </pre>



Listings

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You may have noticed that our listings are free of those horrible little black marks which send you searching around the keyboard for a suitable graphic symbol. You may also have noticed the funny numbers by the side of each line of the listing. First of course it's all part of our care and style.

Instead of those nasty graphics and rows of numbers against a PRINT statement and strings we use a special coding system. The code or mnemonic, as always contained in square brackets and you'll soon learn to decipher these meanings.

For example [BA] would mean type on a Shifted A, or an asc of capital or hyphen's term, and [BAID] would mean a row of ten of these symbols.

[B+2] means hold down the shift key and press the plus key twice. It doesn't take a great leap of logic to realise that [C/V] means exactly the same thing except that the Command-key (bottom left of the keyboard) is held down instead of the shift key.

If more than two spaces appear in a statement then this will be printed as [SPC4] or equivalently, [5SPC4]. Translated into English this means press the spacebar four times or in the latter case hold the shift key down while you do it.

A string of special characters could appear as [CTRL N, DOWNING LEFTS BLUE, F3,C3].

This would be achieved by holding

down the CTRL key as you press N, press the down key down twice, the down-left key five times, press the key marked BLUE while holding down the CTRL key, press the F3 key and finally hold the Command key down while pressing the number two key (C2 would of course make the computer print as below).

Always remember that you should only have a row of graphics characters on your screen with no square brackets and no comment, unless something like this appears

[B3] [C4]
In this case the two characters should have a comma between them.

On rare occasions [REV T] will appear in a listing. This is a delete symbol and is caused by entering the line up to this moment. Then type a closing quotation mark (SHIFT + 2) and delete it. This gets the computer out of quote mode. Hold down CTRL and press the number nine key (REV9), or the relevant number of reversed Ts and then hold down CTRL and press zero (REV0FF). Now type another quotation mark and delete it again. Now finish the line and press RETURN.

A lot of these special codes is given in the table but remember that only one of these mnemonics will appear outside of a PRINT string, the quoted line go. This may appear when a value is needed as a calculation so this may look something like

CC=177778

Ignore the square brackets and just type in a quoted upward pointing arrow (or the symbol)

Program List		Line Number	Line Text
10	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
20	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
30	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
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50	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
60	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
70	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
80	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
90	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
100	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
110	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
120	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
130	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
140	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
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210	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
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230	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
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850	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
860	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
870	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
880	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
890	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
900	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
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950	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
960	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
970	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
980	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
990	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10
1000	BA-10	BA-10	BA-10

by Eric Doyle



Checksum Program

The hexadecimal numbers appearing in a column to the left of the listings should not be typed as with the program. There are, indeed, hexadecimal values and are there to help you get out line right. Don't worry, if you don't understand the hexadecimal numbers go long as you can compare the characters on the screen with the corresponding two characters in the margins; you can use our line checking program.

Type in the Checksum Program, make sure that you've not made any mistakes and save it to tape or disk

immediately, because it will be used with most of the present and future listings appearing in *Your Commodore*.

At the start of each programming session, load Checksum and run it. The screen will turn brown with yellow characters and each time you type in a key and press the RETURN key, a number will appear on the screen in white. This should be the same as the corresponding value in the margins.

If the two values don't match, something's wrong. You have not copied the key exactly as printed or you back and check each character carefully. When you find the error simply correct it and

press RETURN again.

If you want to turn off the character simply type \$7540152 and the screen will return to the familiar blue colors. You can then do whatever it was you wanted to do and if this doesn't use the area where Checksum has you can go back to it with the same \$75 command.

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Hexadecimal	Symbol	Key press
[BLANK]		CTRL left/right
[LEFT]		SHIFT & CTRL left/right
[DOWN]		CTRL up/down
[UP]		SHIFT & CTRL up/down
[F1]		F1 key
[F2]		SHIFT & F1 key
[F3]		F3 key
[F4]		SHIFT & F3 key
[F5]		F5 key
[F6]		SHIFT & F5 key
[F7]		F7 key
[F8]		SHIFT & F7 key
[F9]		F9 key
[F10]		SHIFT & F9 key
[F11]		F11 key
[F12]		SHIFT & F11 key
[HOME]		CTRL/HOME
[END]		SHIFT & CTRL/HOME
[PAGE UP]		CTRL & P
[PAGE DOWN]		CTRL & D

Hexadecimal	Symbol	Key press
[BLACK]		CTRL & 1
[WHITE]		CTRL & 2
[RED]		CTRL & 3
[CYAN]		CTRL & 4
[PURPLE]		CTRL & 5
[GREEN]		CTRL & 6
[BLUE]		CTRL & 7
[YELLOW]		CTRL & 8
[POUND]		—
[ARROW]		—
[UPARROW]		
[F0]		SHIFT &
[INST]		SHIFT & INST/DEL
[REV T]		unlabeled
[Clear]		CTRL + Insert
[Shift]		SHIFT + Insert

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CP/M: The Third Facet of the 128

The C128 has three modes - 64, 128 and the much neglected CP/M. In this article we bring you a pocket guide to CP/M and shed light on its uses.

By Microfit Appleby

The Commodore 128 comes with CP/M+ as the operating system for the built-in 280 second processor. However, the documentation is sparse and confusing, and information on the supplied utility software is sparse. Read on and you may hear something to your advantage.

CP/M started life as a monitor for the newly introduced Intel 8080 processor evaluation kit and was written by one of its employees. CP/M for three days (1973) stood for Control Program/Monitor. This monitor handled things like the paper tape reader and writer punched cards and a line printer as well as the teletype console to which it was attached.

After a short while, Shugart came on the scene. Shugart had not developed the mini disk drive by checking the normal eight inch (8") drives down to a handful five inch size. The problem was that they had no real software to make them work. So Shugart asked the chip who wrote CP/M if he could do something with them and make the whole system work together. This was duly done and the early CP/M had taken shape.

Intel, however, didn't want to market this program, so the chip kit

level worked all the bugs in the program out, an up-lit own company, and CP/M 1.0 was launched on an unsuspecting public.

The company started on Intel's Intel Intergalactic Digital Research that a basic manager probably talked them into dropping the 'Intergalactic' CP/M was further refined into CP/M 2.2 and the 'standard' CP/M system was defined as a 280 processor, 64K of memory, between one and eight disk drives, and an 80x25 screen. As long as your system had these minimums, software would run. This laid minimum architecture for software houses as instead of writing dozens of different versions of a program for all the different machines, they could just write a CP/M program and put a little program on the same disk that would ask the user to describe what was different about the CP/M system from everybody else's, and you're on.

At about this time CP/M was deemed to mean 'Control Program/Microcomputer', as it was thought that reminding people that this program was just an easy way to load up paper tape punchers to 8080 development systems (a development system looks like a circuit board) with

a calculator display and a small keyboard - that it would just crash them - they were probably right though when you know that explains a lot of things!

In around 1980 memory is getting a lot cheaper and all sorts of tricks were being used to get as much memory into CP/M systems that 64K allowed for (64K in 1973 was unacceptably frugal). So CP/M (Digital Research wrote CP/M 2.2) CP/M+ is said for a 16-bit word CP/M continued a number of improvements. A hard ROM that had CP/M off disk and into memory, BIOS or Basic Input/Output System to handle the paper tape/keyboard/printer etc., a BIOS to handle disks, and the CCP - or Command Processor which does all the donkey work. All this together takes up about 12K - though can vary depending on the machine. Take out the screen and a small set for variables and the TPA or Terminal Program Area (the place to store the programs actually, not load most users to think). So even with 40K TPA, running a business program may only get you 15K to play around with - not a lot at all.



What CP/M+ does is to allow the OS to have CDS in a banked system. This puts the screen BIOS, BIOS, CCP and BIOS (most of those later) out of the way, and leaves TPA at address 0. This still may not sound a lot, but application programs can still sit in the banked memory — so you may still have created 96K to play around with for free — a much better state of affairs. DR also took the opportunity to throw up some of the dodgier bad parts of CP/M 2.2 and make it work a bit more sane — friendly. CP/M+ also got BIOS more efficiently by storing them out of the way when the main program is working, what's an IBM? It's a Real-time Processor. This will expand the capabilities of CP/M in some way. It is mostly used for the OS system which is a logical nuclear independent way of handling things.

DR also launched a number of new products at the time — CP/M+ for IBM, MP/M — for multi user applications, and Personal CP/M — for single machines without disk drives. However, their drive for world domination in the business operating system market was killed when IBM, in a week of months by the emergence of the IBM PC, and its operating system called MS-DOS — written by DR's arch rival Microsoft who started at a very early age to DR, except that they were called The Kentucky Fried Chicken Company and began by making a program called Basic — but that's another story! MS-DOS was written from scratch as a 'real' operating system and not as a free member and

it showed it was friendly, fast (relatively) bug-free, and could access 640K of memory. However, even hooked to it at drives, DR eventually again used with a program called GEM (Graphics Environment Manager) but that's also another story!

The CDS and CP/M

Most people know that a CDS has two processors: a Z80 and an 8502. Both can have access to the CDS, of main memory and both can have access to the BIOS, at least memory (yes, that's right — your CDS is actually a CMM, but that would probably only confuse people). What most people don't realize is that the Z80 is the main processor and has priority, and that the 8502 is actually the second processor! When you turn on a CDS (with a disk drive attached) the disk starts. This is the CP/M boot ROM trying to load CP/M off disk. If it doesn't manage it, it gives up and gives up to the BIOS have its say.

Remembering what I said about the memory system configuration for CP/M I will assume that you are using a CDS with at least one disk drive, and the BIOS column screen facilities. You can use the 40 column screen, but this is a window on a logical 80 column screen — much better to use the real thing — also as the 80 column screen has its own 16K memory, you don't lose the old couple of K here and there.

So pop in your system disk (that with CP/M on it) and your CDS is running and looking into life and being... Nothing particularly exciting

happens at all. In fact all you get is a version number, a copyright message, a TPA message and the lower 'A' followed by a little prompt: 'C'! Fantastic! (Sigh) yes! Incredible! What happens now? Who cares?

But What does it do?

When you see the prompt, it is telling you three things. Firstly, that the drive you are using is drive A. That you are logged on as user zero, and that the LCP is waiting for input from you. What do these items mean? Well, CP/M drives are designated by letters from A to F and you have a drive that all disk operations happen to unless you specify a different one. This is called the default drive. In CP/M the default drive always starts off as A. In the CP/M disk system on the CDS the attached disk drive is always A, but it also has a RAM Disk assigned to 'E' — this is an area of memory that behaves perfectly as a disk drive. There to help with disk saving etc. More about this later.

The user number is a way of keeping 16 different directories on the disk at once. Perhaps you will have WP files on one, Basic programs on another and a database on another one. These are called User numbers and can be from zero to 15. Like the default drive, CP/M has a default User number. This starts off as zero. If the user number is changed to get at another directory, you will still be able to get at User zero, this works like a global directory that can be accessed by all the others.

and that lets you set a number of attributes for a file or group of files. The SET command basically works in two ways. The first is just setting the attributes as mentioned before. SET "BACKUP" will change all backup files to read only and retain bits. This can be used with any of the 80 86 VHS DIR attributes.

You may have noticed the word attribute appearing above. This refers to certain characteristics that can be set on a file. READ and WRITE are the two standard attributes depending on what permission the modification of a file. SET will turn a file into a normal file and DIR attributes, directory listing. These attributes will be discussed later in the SET command which is the command used to change files.

The command versions of ERASE and REN are not nearly as simple as DIR. They merely allow the use of filepaths rather than drive name. ERASE *BACK will erase all backup files on drive B. REN has no equivalent.

Now What?

Now the fun starts. On your system disk, you will find a good few programs. Most of these are transient commands but a lot of them are listed in the appendix.

First let us consider the copy commands. These are discussed in the next section. The resident commands for copying them in. The only difference is a slight delay before they will effect due to them being loaded off disk.

DATE - Sets or displays the date and is used for date stamping of CP/M files when enabled (see DISK).

TIME - To display the time set. DATE CONTINUOUS or DATE C to set the date to DATE SET.

DUMP - Displays a hex dump of a file.

GET - Get console input from a disk. It takes data from the keyboard. It is like the BH macro's INCH command.

PUT - Write everything that would be going to the screen into a disk. It is like the BH macro's SPOOL on a PC macro.

REN - This command allows you to change filename and expand

names around and set the characteristics for those devices. Device names and their letters along with a trailing colon. They may also have the suffix "M" or "MT" to change only that characteristic.

CON - CONSOLE - is the device.

DEVICE CON[COLUMNS=40, LINES=14] - will set the size of the screen.

DISK CON[PAGE] - will display the current size.

DISK CON[AUXIN,AUXOUT] - is the auxiliary in/out console attached to the ESD/2 hardware.

LPRT - is the printer output name. It has no options.

The second function changes the drive attribute and name. The drive attribute is either RW or RO in normal operation it is RW. SET A[RO] will stop you writing to that drive. In addition each disk can have a name conforming to the name rules in CP/M (discussed in a slightly later article) and three letters. SET A[NAME= GAMES] will label the disk with that name.

The last function is used with the password system that CP/M can. Firstly you can assign a password to the master disk. This will prevent anyone using the SET command on that disk at all. It takes the form SET [PASSWORD] where 'password' is the password. To remove the password SET [PASSWORD=] is needed. Note that you need the password to get that far and that wouldn't need the trailing bracket - A name will do.

To enable password protection on the files on a disk, the password system must first be initialized. SET [PROTECT=ON] will do this.

To change or set the password by command takes on the syntax SET FREQ* * [PASSWORD=rule] where rule is the password and FREQ* * refers to an external trigger.

Password can also be selectively used on certain functions, these are READ WRITE DELETE NOW. One of these functions can be selected. READ allows everything so that you need a password for almost every access of the file.

WRITE needs a password for writing normally, or deleting. This allows the file to be read but not tampered with.

DELETE allows you to do

anything to the file, except delete or rename. A NONE sets all the password points to the worst, it SET WP CON[PROTECT=READ].

Default passwords can also be selected. Yes all the files on the disk had the password 'test'. SET [DEFAULT=test] would remove the need to go to the password every time a file was accessed. Normally the password has to be included in the filepaths after a trailing colon. Say a file called 'private.doc' with a password of 'rule' was to be accessed, then the filepath would be 'private.doc:rule'.

The final function of the SET command is to alter the way that date stamping is used (does any that date stamping has to be included). The three options ACCESS, UPDATE, and CREATE are used. Access will stamp the file every time that you do anything with it, update only stamps it the first time you write to it, disk and update everywhere that you alter the file. Create and Access are mutually exclusive and cannot co-exist, so will turn the other one off. So to set SET [UPDATE=ON].

SHOW will display certain information about the disk depending on the option list given. SHOW on its own or with a drive name will give you the read/write space remaining. SHOW with an option after it will give you one of the following functions.

LABEL - Will show the disk name, whether the disk is password protected, the stamp create/update status, and the date that the disk name was created or updated.

LSIZE - Will list the sector, user numbers and their respective number of active files and free directory entries.

DIR - Displays the number of free directory entries.

DATE - Will output a comprehensive list of the characteristics of that drive.

So typing in SHOW A[DIR] will give you the number of free directory entries on drive A.

I think that wraps it up for this month. Next month I will be telling you about some or two special modifications made to the CTR version of CP/M like the virtual drive and the user defined keyboard. Also I will be discussing some of the really sophisticated commands as well as explaining some of the more obvious commands that CP/M uses. So if you are confused I know I am afraid I will be covered next month.

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ATTENTION

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

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Overview

After comparing notes, Shalton notes the value being measured among the members of the group, including the question: "What is the value of the group?"

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Diskits 1, 2 and 3

Here we start a series of very handy authors' written specialities

for disk users

By Les Allen

DISKIT 1

Memory Saver is a useful routine aimed at saving all your machine's memory from \$0001 to \$FFFF. It is not intended to promote peace, which may be the immediate consequence which you hope to become while commercial *Peace* flows in some hot war like war can only work with material which is under his control. Without the knowledge of a start address, it is of no use to you whatsoever.

The Facts

Two machine code routines are located at \$0047 and \$013C which provide the means to save memory between \$0001 and \$FFFF. The program saves three files as follows:

- 1 Main part - from \$0001 to \$FFFF
- 2 Kernel - from \$0000 to \$FFFF

In order to make use of the kernel routines for saving etc. this part is re-loaded to \$0000 and then saved between \$0000 to \$FFFF.

- 3 Basic part - from \$0000 to \$FFFF

This part contains the character and kernel ROM which is saved between \$0000 to \$FFFF. Two sub-routines are included to perform the following:

- (a) releases the character/kernel rom to \$C000 to \$FFFF
- (b) loads in the MAIN file and then runs it.

OK, so how do you go about using it?

Point number one is that you must know the start address of the program or you are lost before you start.

Instructions

- 1 Load in the program to convert into two parts.
- 2 Press reset reveals if required (Quibbick) protected.
- 3 Load "MEM1" K.I
- 4 Load "MEM2" K.I
- 5 Type in Basic ROM call or \$05783041 (if that's the start address - of course). A JIFFI compressed can be used to replace the RUN command in the BASIC file. But you will need to use a byte monitor or disk monitor to do this.
- 6 JIFFI ROM to save program.
- 7 The two files \$0047 and \$013C are now a complete working copy which can be individually attached to save working space.
- 8 If when the MAIN part is executed, it crashes or less than 124 blocks then the KERN part \$0000 can be appended to this.
- 9 Remember that it is illegal to save software so make sure that you only do this to your own programs!

The program as listed must be typed or exactly as written and saved prior to running. Error trap routines are included to ensure that the data is saved correctly. The program when run saves the relevant code at a temporary address of \$0000 and when prompted releases the working programs to Basic, writes them into and the console buffer and saves the programs to disk.

DISKIT 2

When programs are saved to disk very often there is a considerable duplication of adjacent data in memory which can be compressed by the use of a code compressor.

This Turbo Cruncher will work with either Basic or machine code programs providing that the program resides in memory from between \$0000 and \$0000.

The utility provides the user with the facility to view the directory with the F1 key or go straight to the transfer with the F7 key. The program is then read in at turbo-cruncher code compressed and is saved back to disk as rather as prefixed with a "C".

The skill of the user will determine the results that are available but it's possible to fill memory with console code. SHA, for example, load in the machine code to memory and load add a Basic load to provide a couple of that may exist between \$0000 and \$0000. The finished file can then be Turbo Cruncher to produce a single working version which could be as small as 15 blocks which, compared to the saved file was 200 blocks represents a considerable saving in disk space.

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DISKIT 3

This machine code program resides in the console buffer at \$0000 and enables a program to be made more part from the files called "MAIN" and "KERN".

The program works by taking the results from the MEMCOPY SAVE routine which copies from the MAIN "KERN" and "BASIC" when the MAIN file is Turbo Cruncher the total length of the file.

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to that 154 blocks (i.e., 154 blocks need sufficient room even from disk) — 50000 is what is in the KERN part of the program.

It is most important, however, to use a Turbo C compiler written to write Turbo C compiler crashes that is characterized by a two tone grey fading border and a display of 00000000.

Instructions

1. Convert program and three parts MAIN, KERN, and BOOT using MICROSAVER.

2. TurboCrunch the file MAIN and if the resulting file +MAIN is less than 154 blocks THEN the routine can be continued ELSE crunch the BOOT file to provide a new memory image of the program. One part maker can not be used with this program.

3. The file to be saved must be located on disk with at least 300 blocks free and called +MAIN and KERN.

4. Load MAIN7.B to load m/c routine.

5. SYS 620 to start transfer process which loads +MAIN, releases the KERN to 50000 transfer format releases program to SYNTAX and

will file the final ONE PART file.

6. TurboCrunch the ONE PART file to further reduce disk space.

Remember that it is illegal to press a key or to make a move that you only do this to your own program!

The program as listed must be typed in exactly as written and saved prior to running. Error trap routines are included to ensure that the data is read in correct. The program will save the file as a code in a temporary address at 5000 and when prompted releases the working program to flow 50000 and on in the program as disk.

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There's nothing that enhances an adventure game so much as some eye-catching graphics providing that subtle memory drive for the addressee.

Our Nursery Rhyme Land game is aimed at the very young and so the graphics have additional importance in keeping the interest going and also aiding recognition of locations.

In the February issue of *Four Commodore*, we brought you the code for the first part of this game. This month is the final part - we are providing the graphics drive.

Getting in the picture

The method of creating a screen file is as follows:

- 1 Turn on or cold reset your 64
- 2 Load this line in direct mode

POKE 44,0 POKE 80,256:NEW

- 3 Load and run Listings 3, 4 and 5 on diskette

- 4 Load and Run Listing 5. Skip the block starting at 3390 and finishing at 7170. Listing 5 (FC Feb 87) explains that the file is called PICTURE.BLOCK.

- 5 If you have already tried the tutorial part of the adventure on its own don't forget to read line 40 of the adventure browser so that you're in Listing 1 (FC Feb 87)



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Pirate Power

If you're a Basic programmer looking for new tools then this Basic Extension from Pirate Software may be just what you're after

By Evelyn Mills

Extension 64 is a program which will extend your Basic into a Basic which is both compact and efficient. Naturally you will require to restructure your ideas on programming, but commands have been arranged in an order which is quite remarkable. To enter a random example from the 128 or so extra commands available, "STN 2,2" will just a positive response on both the x and y axis.

On loading you will find that you have 36 plus 4, available for programming the whole being entirely compatible with versions of Basic, if you so wish. Effectively, Extension 64 is primarily intended to enable you to manipulate sprites and music with great ease and then it most certainly does. There are, of course, more other things featured but these are the two which should interest you most.

You may be dismayed by the Manual, however doesn't one available in both cassette and disk and, if you follow the MAZE. Demonstrating through to the supplementary thing you need, you should get to grips with the incredibly simple program features. Plenty of examples are provided in the Manual and the cross-references are good.

Sprites

So what does all this do? SPRITES may be associated with a one line command while boundary limits can be set to feature your sprites around in a variable fashion. Up to 64 sprites

may be displayed on the screen at any one time, working on a basis of seven sets and eight sprites. I would recommend that one set is sufficient for various Sprites may be rotated, flipped around, made to 'thrust' each other (FLIE command?) or 'linked' (GALTON).

In the event that you do not have a sprite generator there is an excellent one provided which operates via keyboard or joystick. The SPRIG400 (generator) has a very good screen display, allows for flipping, multi-colour display and even the data to tape output, for small if required. Data files may be created in this way. All of the features and displays are well documented in the Manual, please take note of how to reload your sprite data.

Music

New to MUSIC in the demo version you will find a program called SOUND. The tone and quality of the music is excellent, for this demo version until the music has finished and you will find a 'hardware' with three Scope Rhythms incorporated which can give you a lot of fun - full screen directions here.

To program music however, back to the manual. The main references in load for here are VOICE and PLAY. These sections contain all that is in how to control waveforms, modulation (if needed), synchronization etc. To find out how to program such data and to output a one or three voice melody again refer to the demo program. You

will be surprised at the simplicity of operation.

Other Features

Now, to the CHRAIN or character generator. This is a fairly standard procedure for modification of characters (new and simple) and a full set of modified characters may be used and reloaded for further programming.

Here graphics are not impossible line drawing, cooking and boxing are all present with a variety of modes, colour and pens. There are full instructions for a SPLIT SCREEN mode allowing multicolour for map graphics, and text to be used together.

I did say that there are over 128 commands - look up the Quick Reference index and you will find them there. Print at, Color at, Blinking, Scrolling, Restore to a last number (even usual), Screen blanking, Auto-numbering, Disk deletion etc. Some things old and a few new.

The most impressive feature of EXT 64 is its compactness of commands, use it in conjunction with Basic and you have here a very powerful programming tool indeed to give you maximum effect with minimal effort. Remember that this a programmer's program.

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Bare Facts

Inside the Commodore range of computers there are a variety of machine code routines that are available to the user. We look at what they are and how to use them.

Whenver an action is taken on a Commodore computer an internal machine code routine is usually loaded into the action. For example there is a routine in the computer that prints out the character in the A register to the current output device.

All of these routines sit in a Read Only Memory (ROM) inside the computer called the Kernel. These routines are therefore referred to as kernel Routines.

Commodore, in infinite wisdom, has placed the routines on each of their computers in the same area of memory obviously not all machines have the same routines, but where they are the same they sit at the same place. Know just what these routines do and where they sit at the computer's memory is extremely important when writing machine code programs or transferring a program from one machine to another.

Below you will find a complete list of all the major Kernel routines. This should aid you in writing your own machine code programs and converting from one machine to another.

ACPTR

Purpose: Get a byte from the serial bus.
Call address: \$FFA5
Output parameter: A
Machines: All

Whenever you wish to get data from the serial bus, this is the routine to use. This routine gets a byte of data and places it in the A register. Before using this routine the TALK routine must be used to tell the device on the serial bus to send data. If the output device requires a secondary command you must send this with the TSKA routine before using this one.

BOOTCALL

Purpose: Boot the disk.
Call address: \$FF93
Input parameter: X
Machines: C128

When called this routine will boot up, auto start disk that is in the drive. The X register should contain the device number of the drive.

C64 MODE

Purpose: Enable the C64 mode.

Call address: \$FF4D
Machines: C128

A call to this routine causes a C128 or C128 mode to enable and C64 mode.

CH2IN

Purpose: Open a channel for input.
Call address: \$FFC6
Input parameter: X
Machines: All

This defines a logical file for input. The file must have already been opened by using the OPEN kernel routine. If you are wanting to receive data from somewhere other than the keyboard this routine must be called before using CH2IN or the GETIN routine. Should you be using the keyboard then the calls to this and the OPEN routine are not required.

CH2OUT

Purpose: Open a channel for output.
Call address: \$FFC9
Input parameter: X

Similar to the above routine, however, this time the OPEN file is set up for output. This routine is used before outputting data to any device, unless it is the screen.

CH2IN

Purpose: Get a character from the input channel.
Call address: \$FFCF
Output parameter: A
Machines: All

This routine gets a byte of data from a channel already set up in the input routine by using the routine CH2IN. If CH2IN has not been used then all input is captured from the keyboard. The data is returned in the accumulator.

CH2OUT

Purpose: Output a character.
Call address: \$FFD2
Input parameter: A
Machines: C16 Plus/4, C64, C128

This routine sends the characters in the A register to the current output device. The output device must have been set up using the OPEN and CHROUT routines. It then has not been used, the data is sent to the screen.

CHOUT

Purpose: Send byte over serial bus

Call address: \$FFFA0

Input parameter: A

Machines: All

This is the routine used to send data over the serial bus before you use the routine the LISTEN routine must be used to tell a device to get ready to receive data. Should the device use a secondary address then you should use the SECOND routine to send this.

CINT

Purpose: Initialize video controller and screen address

Call program: \$FFFA0

Machines: All

This routine initializes the video chips and the screen address. On the C128 the function keys are set to their default when and the 40/80 key is checked to see which mode the video chip should be in.

CLALL

Purpose: Close all files

Call address: \$FFFE7

Machines: All

A call to this routine will close all open files. A CLRCHN routine is also executed to reset all I/O channels.

CLOSE

Purpose: Close a specified file

Call address: \$FFFC4

Input parameter: A

Machines: All

This routine is used to close a file after it is finished with. The accumulator should be loaded with the number of the channel to be closed before calling this routine.

CLRCHN

Purpose: Clear I/O channels

Call address: \$FFFC0

Machines: All

Call this routine to clear all open channels and restore the input/output channels to their original default values. If any open channels are set up at start then an UNTALK is set here to clear the input channel on an UNLISTEN is sent to clear the output channel.

GETCONF

Purpose: Get the configuration byte

Call address: \$FFFB8

Input parameter: X

Output parameter: A

A table at memory location \$FFB8 is required for normal operation of the C128. The configuration index should be passed in the X register. The configuration is returned in the A register.

DLCHR

Purpose: Copy the character ROM

Call address: \$FFA2

Machines: C128

A call to this routine causes the character set to be copied into the video display chips internal memory.

DMACALL

Purpose: Initialize external RAM components

Call address: \$FFF0

Input parameter: X

Machines: C128

When you require direct memory access to external memory, it must first be initialized with this routine. The X register should contain the new configuration.

GETIN

Purpose: Get a character

Call address: \$FFB4

Output: A

Machines: All

If the input channel is the keyboard then one character is read from the keyboard gate and its ASCII value placed in the A register. Max, characters in the buffer placed in the A reg. If the input channel is serial, success or success then use the CHRIN routine.

INDCMP

Purpose: Compare the accumulator with memory in any bank

Call address: \$FFFA

Input parameters: A, X, Y, BDCI

Output parameter: B0

To compare the contents of the accumulator with the contents of a memory location in any bank, you should put the configuration index in the X register and the address in the Y register. Location BDCI should hold the address of the zero page memory location that holds a pointer to the memory location that you wish to compare with.

INDFET

Purpose: Get a byte from any bank

Call address: \$FFFA

Input parameters: A, X, Y

Output parameter: A

This allows you to read the contents of an address in any configuration without having to change the actual memory configuration. A pointer must be defined in a zero page

contains that points to the address to be read. The A register should contain this address. The configuration index is passed in the X register and the offset to the zero page pointer in the Y register. The result is returned in the A reg.

INDSTA

Purpose: Store accumulator in any bank.
Call address: \$FF77
Input parameters: A, X, Y: \$0000
Machine: C128

This routine will store the contents of the A register in any memory configuration. The A register should contain the character to be stored. The zero page address where a pointer to the memory address is stored must be placed in number and the Y register the offset from the location that is in zero page.

IOBASE

Purpose: Define I/O memory page.
Call address: \$FF73
Output parameters: X, Y
Machine: All

This routine sets the X and Y registers to the address of the memory section where the memory assigned I/O devices reside. You can then use this address with relative addressing to access the different ports in the secondary devices. The X register contains the low byte of the address and the Y register the high byte.

This routine provides a certain amount of compatibility between Commodore machines. If you call this routine and use relative addressing to address the registers in the I/O chips.

IOINIT

Purpose: Initialize I/O drivers.
Call address: \$FF64
Machine: All

This routine initializes all input/output devices and routines.

JMPFAR

Purpose: Jump to any bank.
Call address: \$FF71
Input parameters: zero page 2 to 9
Machine: C128

This routine enables a jump to another routine in any bank. Parameters are passed through memory locations 2 to 9.

JSRFAR

Purpose: Jump to a subroutine in any bank.
Call address: \$FF7E
Input parameters: zero page 2 to 9
Output parameters: zero page 2 to 9

This routine is used to jump to a subroutine in any bank. The parameters are passed in memory locations 2 to 9.

LISTEN

Purpose: Tell a device on the serial bus to listen.
Call address: \$FFB1
Input: A
Machine: All

This routine commands a device on the serial bus to get ready to receive data. The A register should be loaded with the device number before using this routine.

LRUPLA

Purpose: Search in table for logical file number.
Call address: \$FF79
Input parameter: A
Machine: C128

This routine searches in the table for the device and secondary address of the logical file specified in the X register. If the file is found then entry is cleared. A register contains the file number, X holds the device number and Y holds the secondary address.

LRUPSA

Purpose: Search for secondary address.
Call Address: \$FF5C
Input parameter: Y
Machine: C128

The specified secondary address (in the A register) searched for in the table of OPEN files. If the search succeeds the entry is cleared and the A register will contain the File Number and the X register the device number.

LOAD

Purpose: Load from device.
Call address: \$FFD3
Input: A, X, Y
Machine: All

This routine LOADS data from the specified device. The Accumulator should be set to a zero if a LOAD is to take place or a one should you require a verify. If you OPEN the file with a secondary address of 0 the X and Y registers should contain the start address for the LOAD. If the secondary address is 1 then the data is LOADED into the area of memory that it was SAVED from.

Before you use this routine you must have called the SETUP and RETURN routines.

MEMBXY

Purpose: Set location of memory.
Call address: \$FF9C
Input parameters: X, Y
Output parameters: X, Y
Machine: All

This is used to set the bottom of memory. The lower boundary of the available memory is set with the two registers X and Y. X is the low byte of the address and Y the high. If the carry flag is set when a call is made to this routine the memory bottom is read and returned in the X and Y registers.

MEMTOP

Purpose: Set the TOP of RAM
Call address: \$FF99
Input parameters: X, Y (carry clear)
Output parameters: A, Y (carry set)
Machines: All

When the carry is set the top of memory address is returned in the X and Y registers. If carry is clear the top of memory is set to the address in the X and Y registers. X is the low byte and Y the high.

OPEN

Purpose: Open a logical file
Call address: \$FFC0
Machines: All

This is the routine used to OPEN a logical file. Once the file is set up you can then use it for either input or output. The SETLFS and SETNAM routines must be called before using OPEN.

PERKEY

Purpose: Define a function key
Call address: \$FF93
Input parameters: A, X, Y
Machines: C128

This is the routine to use if you are wanting to define a function key. The two page address that points to the key to be the key should be placed in the A register. The X programmed and the Y register should contain the length of the string.

PLOT

Purpose: Set cursor location
Call address: \$FFFD
Input parameters: X, Y (carry clear)
Output parameters: A, Y (carry set)
Machines: All

A call to this routine with the carry set will return the position of the cursor on the screen in the X and Y registers. X holds the row number and Y holds the column. Calling the routine with the carry clear will move the cursor to the screen position specified in the X and Y registers.

PRINT

Purpose: Print out a message
Call address: \$FFFD
Machines: C128

All characters following this call are sent to the current output device until a zero byte is reached. The program then continues normally.

RAMTAS

Purpose: Perform RAM test
Call address: \$FF87
Machines: All

This is the initialization routine that sets up the zero page etc. of the machine. This is sometimes called a warm start.

RDTIM

Purpose: Read system clock
Call address: \$FFDE
Output parameters: A, X, Y
Machines: All

This is used to read the system clock. Three bytes are returned by the routine. The A register contains the most significant byte. The X register contains the next most significant and the Y register the least significant.

READST

Purpose: Read Status word
Call address: \$FF83
Output parameter: A
Machines: All

This routine returns the status of the I/O devices to the A register. This routine should be called and the status checked after the I/O operation.

RESTORE

Purpose: Restore the system vectors
Call address: \$FFFA
Machines: All

This routine sets up the default values for all of the computer's system and interrupt vectors.

SAVE

Purpose: SAVE memory to a device
Call address: \$FFDE
Input registers: A, X, Y
Machines: All

This is the routine to use if you wish to SAVE a section of memory. The device address, file name etc. must be set with the SETLFS and SETNAM routines. I/O owners must also set the bank with a call to SETBANK.

The zero page address at which the start address of the area to be SAVED is stored must be placed in the A register. The end address of the area is placed in the X (low) and Y (high) registers.

SCANKEY

Purpose: Scan the keyboard

Call address: \$FF9F
Machine: All

This routine scans the keyboard and checks for a keypress. The routine is called by the interrupt handler. If a key is pressed an ASCII value is placed in the keyboard queue.

SCREEN

Purpose: Restore screen format
Call address: \$FFFD
Machine: All that use CDS
Output parameters: X, Y

This routine restores the format of the screen. On a CDS this would be 40 columns in the X register and 23 lines in the Y register. This routine can be used to determine what machine your program is working on.

CDS owners should note that this routine will get the size of the current screen window. After the call the X register contains the maximum column number. The number of lines in the Y register and the X register contains the number of columns.

SECOND

Purpose: Send secondary address for LISTEN
Call address: \$FF94
Input parameters: A
Machine: All

Use this routine when you wish to send a secondary address to an I/O device after issuing a LISTEN command. When sending a secondary address down the serial bus the address must first be ORed with 160.

SETBNA

Purpose: Define memory bank for disk operation
Call address: \$FF84
Input parameters: A, Y
Machine: CDS

You should call this routine before performing a LOAD, SAVE, VERIFY, and OPEN command. The configuration index of the file name should be placed in the Y register and the configuration index of the memory area to be processed should be in the accumulator.

SETLFS

Purpose: Set up a logical file
Call address: \$FF8A
Input parameters: A, X, Y
Machine: All

Use this routine to set the logical file number, device address and secondary address. The file number is passed in the A register. The X register should contain the device number and the Y register the secondary address.

SETMSG

Purpose: Enable/Disable system messages
Call address: \$FF90
Input parameter: A
Machine: All

This routine controls the printing of error and system messages. If bit 7 of the A register is set then error messages will be printed. If bit 6 of the A register is set then system messages will be printed.

SETNAM

Purpose: Set up file name
Call address: \$FFFD
Input parameters: A, X, Y
Machine: All

This is the routine to use when you are setting up a file name for the OPEN, SAVE or LOAD kernel routines. The A register should contain the length of the file name. The X and Y registers should contain the address in memory where the name is stored. A is the low byte and Y the high. CDS owners must also use the SETBNA routine to specify the bank to be used.

SETINT

Purpose: Set the system clock
Call address: \$FF8D
Input parameters: A, X, Y
Machine: All

The internal "pity" clock can be set by this routine. Before calling this routine the A register should contain the most significant byte, the X register should contain the next most significant, and the Y the least.

SETMD

Purpose: Set the time out flag for the IEEE
Call address: \$FFA2
Input parameter: A
Machine: All

This routine takes the value passed in the accumulator in the timeout flag for the IEEE routine. Bit 3 of the accumulator should be set to 1 for timeouts to be effective.

STOP

Purpose: Check if the STOP key is pressed
Call address: \$FF81
Output parameter: Zero flag
Machine: All

This routine checks to see if the STOP key has been pressed since the last IRQ call. If it has then the zero flag will be set. In addition the CLNCH routine will be called.

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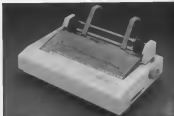
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Printer Winner

The winner of our December competition was Graham Gibson, from Fyfe Me in Durham. He has won a Canon L260 for Macs Printer worth £187 including VAT. A Commodore printer interface is also being included so that the printer is ready for immediate use. Congratulations Graham!

Congratulations!

The first prize winner of the CRL Mac-Ware competition was Brian Gibson of Kirtlington who receives a superb package of a signed Teletext 861s along with a copy of the video and the computer program. The 20 runners up prize on the program go to D J Arnold, Swindon, Henry Tapman, Stroud, English, W H Cox, West Lincs, Stephen Smith, Barnham, Mr P G Bullmore, Papania, Ann Palmer, Suffolk, C M England, Cheshire Home, Tracy, Berke, Poole, Mr R Linn, Harlow, Mark Winfield, Normal Hill, John Papadopoulos, Dulwich, P Harpur, Bilton, Mr R Gilling, Portsmouth, Andrew Fairbrother, Preston-on-Sea, Ian Haines, Havant, Peter Chandler, Somerset, H J Bleasdale, The Netherlands, D Derrick, Cheshire, Ian Horn, Colchester, Mr J Guldies, Aldershot, Mr D Taylor, Isle Of Wight, Maxine James, Durham, Michael Troup, Co Louth, P A Hardy, Farnborough, Stephen Hobbins, Charley, Anthony Goss, Hove, Steve Skinner, Molehill, Kevin Thomas, Birmingham



Open!

In our February issue, there were some confusing line numbers in the *Word Pro 4.0* file article for the *Plus/4*. There was an assembly listing omitted from the article and although that is not necessary, when you want to type in and run the program it may be quite useful to those of you who are interested in exactly how the program works. Therefore, if you want a copy of the listing, please send an a.s.c. to Word Pro Listing, Four Commodore, 1 Golden Square, London W1R 1AD.

Also in the February issue there was some confusion in two lists of *Advanced And Graphics* (p.80). The list should actually read:

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We apologise for this minor error which these slight errors may have caused to our readers.

Hex Data Entry

We have had a number of calls from people who are having problems getting the [REV H] and [REV M] in line 9. These should appear in the listing as a reverse H character and a reverse shifted M in the LISTING; article we explain how to get a [REV H] character, follow the same procedure for these. It appears that a dot has disappeared in some copies of the original Line 940 should have [LEFT] [LEFT] within the space

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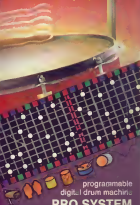
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